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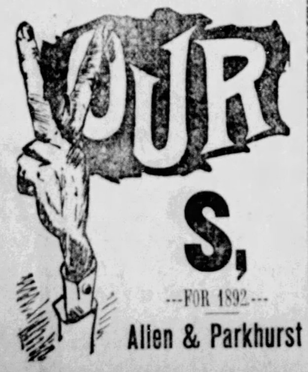

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IN THE BEE TO-DAY

WEATHER.

The official local forecast for to-day and Sunday is clear, slightly warmer.

Observer Hagen, U. S. weather bureau, says: A "low" has made its appearance this morning in northern Montana and will probably reach us by early Monday morning. The temperature variation throughout the country is rather slight for the season, ranging from 18 degrees in northern Minnesota to 50 degrees in Texas. Beautiful fall weather prevails from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic ocean.

The highest temperature in Toledo yesterday was 32 degrees. The lowest this morning was 23 degrees.

Forecast for western New York and Ohio: Warmer, fair weather to-day and Sunday; southwesterly winds.

For Indiana and Illinois: Warmer; fair to-day and Sunday; southerly winds.

For Michigan: Warmer, fair, southerly winds.

For Wisconsin: Fair; southerly winds; warmer.

Stations.	Wind.	Tem.	Vel.
Buffalo, cloudy	SW	30	lt
Cleveland, clear	SE	22	6
Toledo, clear, calm	..	28	..
St. Louis, clear	S	26	lt
Kansas City, fair	SE	28	6
Indianapolis, clear	E	32	lt
Des Moines, fair	SE	20	lt
Chicago, clear	S	26	8
St. Paul, fair	E	24	6
North Platte, cloudy	S	26	lt
Bismarck, cloudy	E	24	lt
Moorhead, fair	SE	32	24
Minnedosa, cloudy, calm	..	22	..
Alpena, cloudy	SW	32	lt
Sault Ste Marie, fair	SE	22	6

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SILVER ON THE SHELF.

The Crying Need of the Times is Tariff Reform.

The White Metal Should Not Be Bothered.

Such Is the Belief of a Large Number of Democrats in the East, Particularly in the New England States.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Speaker Crisp's plan to put northern men at the head of the ways and means and appropriations committee is meeting with considerable opposition.

The effort at the displacement of one of the proposed chairmen seems to be directed more against Mr. Holman than against Mr. Springer, although it must be acknowledged that the friends of Mr. Mills were confidently asserting that he would not only be offered the chairmanship of the ways and means committee but that he would accept it.

It is said Mr. Mills had been offered the chairmanship under a pledge that he would not submit a general tariff bill, and this fact tended to discount the story. No foundation could be found for the story, and, indeed, it was emphatically denied by those who are known to be in the speaker's counsel.

They say that Mr. Crisp has not deviated from his original intention in regard to those chairmanships. At least two prominent southern senators labored for some time with the speaker yesterday in order to induce him not to appoint two northern men, but their visit was not sufficient to induce the speaker to change his mind.

Another interesting development in the committees situation yesterday was the presence in Washington of ex-Representative Collins, of Massachusetts, who is now chairman of the democratic committee of that state.

Mr. Collins had quite a long conference with the speaker, in which the present political status of New England was thoroughly discussed.

Mr. Collins is understood to have told the speaker that it would be ruinous to the democratic party in New England and throughout the east if any free silver legislation passed the house at this session. There is no question but that the New England democrats in congress feel that not only their re-election, but the continued success of the party in their section, depend on the absence of any silver legislation during the session.

The feeling against the passage of any silver measure is growing in the house, and it is doubtful whether one would be passed if it were to be reported. A plan is now being formulated and quietly discussed among the members, which, if it meets with favor, will be introduced with the end in view of practically disposing of the entire silver question.

New Yorkers do not live on beer, whisky and water alone; 243,047,680 quarts of milk, 5,406,080 quarts of cream and 3,020,440 quarts of condensed milk were received the last year for consumption. Each inhabitant of the city, according to these figures, used on an average 152 quarts of milk, 3 1-2 quarts of cream and 2 quarts of condensed milk last year.

MR. CRISP IS BRISK

And Will Give Everybody a Fair Show.

A Departure in Making Up His Committees.

The House Responsibility to be Divided.

No More One Man Power of the Reed Style.

Democracy Is of the People and the Present House of Representatives Will Conduct Its Affairs Solely in Their Interest.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Speaker Crisp has announced the committee on rules, his colleagues being Representatives Catchings, of Mississippi, and McMillin, of Tennessee, democrats, and Reed, of Maine, and Burrows, of Michigan, republicans.

The announcement, while not a surprise, as the names had been anticipated, with the exception of Mr. Catchings, is nevertheless significant as indicating in a large measure the policy of the speaker in the arrangement of his committees.

He has departed from the rules laid down by Speakers Carlisle and Reed of placing upon the committee on rules the chairman of the ways and means and appropriations committees, and has returned to the practice followed by Speakers Kerr, Keifer, and Randall, who appointed the committee on rules without reference to the other chairmanships.

By his action in thus cutting loose from the policy inaugurated by Speaker Carlisle the present speaker intimates that there will be a radical departure from that condition of affairs wherein a few men, a little coterie around the speaker, practically controlled the house to the exclusion of other members whose equal claim was never recognized.

There will, in the future, be a greater division of power and of responsibility. In no case will this be more conspicuously noticed than in the arrangement regarding leadership on the floor.

Although Mr. Springer will be chairman of the ways and means committee, his duties, it is understood, will be confined to matters relating to his committee, while Mr. McMillin will be the leader of the party in the house so far as motions, management, etc., are concerned.

This is an innovation, but it is expected that it will work advantageously. Mr. McMillin was selected as a member of the rules committee because of his parliamentary ability, his effectiveness as a debater, and the fact that he is very well liked by the members of the democratic side, and will therefore be of great assistance in securing the harmonious adjustment of any differences which may arise as to party policy.

Mr. Catchings, of Mississippi, is a firm personal friend of the speaker, and was one of the active managers of his canvass. He is also popular with the members of the house. He is an experienced member, an active worker, and a clear, forcible speaker.

The committees will be announced on Wednesday, December 23. At least two weeks will intervene between this date and the reassembling of the house after the holidays, during which interval the discontent which is sure to be manifested against the speaker's choice will have sufficient time to die away.

This interval will be necessary, for there is to be a shaking up of the committees such as has not been seen for many a day. Precedents are to be cast to the winds, men who have been kept in the background for the last four or six years are to be given opportunities to prove the stuff that they are made of, while northern democrats are to be generously recognized.

The speaker's innovation does not commend itself to ex-Speaker Reed. "I appointed the committee on rules in the last congress," he said to the Post, "to consist of four men, two of whom were the chairmen of the committees on ways and means and appropriations, because both these committees have the right of way in the house, and therefore those chairmen would not want to gain an undue advantage for their committees at the expense of others.

"Furthermore, the chairmen of those two committees are practically the advisers of the speaker. They know the great legislation which is to come before the house, and they are in a better position to pass on the order of business than are chairmen or members of other committees.

"Despite the great outcry which was raised against us in the last congress, there must be a 'steering' committee to arrange the order of business and decide how and in what way certain measures shall be considered.

"That was the sole object of the rules of the last congress, to do business in a business-like and systematic way, and while this is a great country and it takes the people some time to understand things, I do not believe that has been misunderstood. If the rules of the last congress were to be an issue, I do not think there would be any doubt as to their being sustained by the country."

"As the leading member of the minority on the committee do you propose to offer the rules of the last congress for adoption in this?"

"Yes," said Mr. Reed, with considerable emphasis. "We are willing to be governed by the same rules we adopted for their government. If they try to shirk the responsibility for it they must answer."

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Manufacturers and business men throughout the states appreciate the advantages of the bureau of American republics, and seeking to extend their trade have been during the past year constant in their inquiry for specific information at the hands of this bureau. Inquiries have also come from large numbers of people in Europe, who are desirous of removing to the southern countries to engage in commercial, mechanical or agricultural pursuits. This, Mr. Wm. E. Curtis says in his report filed with the senate yesterday, is encouraging to those who are endeavoring to promote the social and commercial relations of the American republics. The report refers to the rapidly increasing export trade to the Central and Southern republics, and notes with pleasure that many United States manufacturers are now sending agents to these countries, with the result that many dealers accustomed to purchasing in Europe are now sending their orders to the United States. Mr. Curtis calls attention to the largely increased mail facilities, and suggests that commerce can be greatly facilitated by the extension of the postal money order and parcel post system.

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When some of the Illinois delegation accosted Senator Pamler yesterday about the boom that had apparently started for him for the presidency the senator replied: "They couldn't have a better man, but I could never be elected president. To get that office a man must enter into the deals and combinations, and that's something I never did and never will do." The Illinois delegation must have taken the matter up in earnest. "Am I for Palmer?" interrogated Mr. Springer in reply to the question put him. "I should say I am. I am a Palmer man every time."

"I would like to vote for Mr. Cleveland," said Mr. Darborrow, talking on the same subject, "but owing to the complications in the east it does not look to me as though he could be nominated. In this event the nomination must come west, and the strongest man in the party to-day is the Illinois man, Senator Palmer."

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Senator Squires has had his bill for a monument to Gen. Grant referred to the committee on public buildings, of which he is a member, and is confident that he will be able to get an appropriation of $300,000 through this session, and start the construction of a monument that will eclipse any yet built to any man here or elsewhere. He does not intend that this shall have any bearing on the question of removing the general's remains to Arlington, but he hopes to see the monument erected here as an unequaled tribute to Grant's military genius.

IN BED WITH A BOARDER.

Strange Act by a Pennsylvania Burglar.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 19.—At 1 o'clock yesterday morning a burglar, after filling his pockets with money and other valuables from a chest in Mrs. Mary McDonald's boarding house, went to the attic, where her two daughters slept.

The glaring light from his dark lantern awoke the girls, who screamed. He disappeared and a search was instituted. On entering the bed-room of James O'Neil, a boarder, Mary McDonald saw a stranger in bed with him. It proved to be the burglar, who had resorted to strategy in order to escape. A struggle followed and an artery in the right arm of the burglar was cut, but he escaped by jumping from the window.

A trail of blood which led to the house of Edward Horne was followed. When officers broke open the door they found Horne binding up the injured arm.

MADE A BOTCH OF IT.

Harrison Misinformed on the Itata Affair.

He Tangled Up the Two Cases in Court.

The Robert and Minnie and Trumbull and Burt Decisions Have Been Mixed Up With That of the Insurgent Steamers.

Los Angelos, Cala., Dec. 19.—In his annual message to congress President Harrison displayed an evident lack of information about the Itata affair by stating that a decision in the affair had been given by the United States district court of California. The president said:

"A trial in the district court of California has recently resulted in a decision holding, among other things, that inasmuch as the congressional party had not been recognized as belligerents, the acts done in its interest could not be a violation of our neutrality laws. From this judgment the United States has appealed; not that the condemnation of the vessel is a matter of importance, but that we may know what is the present state of our laws, for if this construction of the statute is correct, there is obvious necessity for revision and amendment."

No decision has yet been rendered in regard to the Itata, and this case appears to have been confounded by the president with the criminal prosecutions against Trumbull and Burt and the case of the schooner Robert and Minnie.

From the language of the message it is apparent that President Harrison had in mind the decision in the Trumbull case; but even there the point raised by the president was evaded, for Judge Ross expressly declined to decide a motion for acquittal made on the ground that a mere insurgent could not be prosecuted under the neutrality statute, though expressing doubt that there could be such prosecution, and he formed his judgment upon the merits of the case and settled the issue in accordance with a uniform line of adjudications that dates from the last century to the present time.

No appeal was taken in the Trumbull case; and as Trumbull was acquitted there can be none.

HELD UP THE CASHIER.

A Bold Robbery Reported From St. Louis.

Four Masked Men Enter the Central Distillery and Get Away With All the Loose Change.

St. Louis, Dec. 19.—Four masked men committed as bold a robbery yesterday as has ever been recorded here. While Mr. Blank was counting the small cash in the outer office of the Central distillery, just at dusk, he was surprised and startled by the sudden appearance of a pistol which was put in front of him.

Although there were four men against him he showed signs of resistance and was promptly hit over the head with the butt end of a revolver, which stunned him and caused a slight fracture of the skull.

The robbers then rifled the drawer but only secured about $100.

The job was done very quietly, some employes of the company being not more than 20 feet away from the scene of the robbery in another room. Mr. Blank cannot give a good description of the men as he could not get a look at their features.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Explosion of a Kerosene Lamp Results Fatally.

A Mother Sacrifices Her Life to Save That of Her Child, Who Dropped the Lamp.

Mrs. Frank Beckwith, of 1565 Indiana avenue, was dangerously burned about 8 o'clock last evening by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. A child had attempted to carry the lamp, but falling, the lamp was broken and in an instant the oil was ablaze. Mrs. Beckwith sprang to the rescue of her child, but as she snatched him away from the fire, her own dress ignited and was a mass of flames in an instant. She rushed out doors screaming for help. Some of the neighbors came quickly, but the woman's clothing had been burned off by that time and she was taken into the house suffering intensely.

Physicians were summoned and everything possible was done to relive the suffering woman. She became unconscious and lingered until about four o'clock this morning, when she died.

Her husband, Frank Beckwith, is a fireman on the Lake Shore road, and being sent for, arrived at his saddened and death stricken home this morning.

Mrs. Beckwith was a young woman, and leaves three children. The little one that caused the accident which resulted so seriously was but slightly burned, but the mother's life was sacrificed to save it.

At the Produce Exchange this morning a subscription was started for the woman before her death was known. About $100 was raised.

GOOD TRADE.

Fostoria, O., Dec. 19.—The Harter mills have sold one firm in England 10,000 sacks of flour, equal to about 7,000 barrels. The mill is now over 20,000 barrels behind orders, and running full capacity.

GHOSTS OF FRAUD

Rise Up Before the Eyes of the President,

Since He Has Sent Elkins' Name to the Senate.

Star Route Deals, Maxwell Land Grants

And the Celebrated Jewett Guano Scheme

Furnish a Very Unpleasant Odor for Those Friends of Mr. Harrison Who Have Pretended to be Able to See in Him a Pure Officer.

Washington, Dec 19.—In securing Mr. Elkins' appointment it is not at all probable that Mr. Blaine took the trouble to remind the president of the star-route scandals, of the Maxwell land grant steal or of the gigantic claim against Brazil that Blaine and Elkins endeavored to enforce.

Elkins' part in the notorious Jewett claim is easily ascertainable, if reasons were to be sought for questioning the propriety of putting him in any office.

This was a claim to which the attention of Secretary Bayard was directed during the administration of President Cleveland. It came to his knowledge as a part of the business of state department left unfinished by Mr. Blaine.

James C. Jewett of New York City claimed to have discovered deposits of guano in the island of Fernando de Norhona, within the dominions of the empire of Brazil. Jewett obtained a permit from Brazil to remove portions of these deposits for experiments, with a conditioned promise of a contract under which he should receive a certain percentage.

He fitted out two small vessels for purposes of exploration, but his agreement with the Brazilian minister of agriculture excited so much hostility in Brazil that the minister was forced to resign and his successor cancelled all the agreements with Jewett and officially informed the United States of his action.

Jewett's actual losses, according to his own figures, were $27,330. He presented to the state department a claim against Brazil for more than $50,000,000.

The claim was, of course, a gross exaggeration of any possible right of recovery of such damages. Secretary Evarts twice rejected his claim. When Secretary Blaine came in he reopened the case. Jewett retained Mr. Stephen B. Elkins as his attorney. On August 8, 1881, Mr. Blaine, in a dispatch to Minister Osborne in Brazil, reversed the instructions of predecessor and wrote to Mr. Jewett stating that he had taken this course "at the request of Stephen B. Elkins, Esq., your attorney."

To Minister Osborne Mr. Blaine said, emphatically, speaking of the rescinding of the Jewett contract and the claim for fifty millions damages: "I am not sufficiently informed as to the law of Brazil to know how far its formal requirements as the mere question of right and title would nullify this action by its government, but I do know that in justice and in equity a responsibility has been incurred which cannot be escaped."

Notwithstanding the efforts of Mr. Blaine in behalf of "Stephen B. Elkins, Esq., your attorney, "this preposterous claim slept during Mr. Frelinghuesen's administration, and Mr. Bayard, after a careful examination of the facts, declared:

"Such a claim, so stated, shocks the moral sense and cannot be held to be within the domain of reason or justice. It would be an act of international unfriendliness for the United States to lend themselves in any way or to any degree in urging, much less enforcing, such a demand upon a country with whom we are, or design to remain, on terms of amity. I, therefore, return the protest as enclosed by you and decline to transmit it to the United States Minister at Brazil, or to instruct him to present it officially or otherwise."

This ended the business, unless, perchance, it has been reopened since Mr. Blaine began business "at the old stand" for the benefit of "Stephen B. Elkins, Esq., your attorney." The confirmation of Mr. Elkins as secretary of war may give him opportunity to throw the case into the hands of a lively man, and with the recovery of the $50,000,000 from the republic of Brazil, he ought to feel fully repaid for his rebuke at the hands of so unpatriotic a secretary as Mr. Bayard.

Among the earliest enterprises in which Elkins took a hand after he reached Washington was the effort to secure the settlement of what has been known as the Maxwell land grant. This was an old Spanish grant, the boundaries of which were decidedly vague and which its nominal proprietors attempted to stretch over a vast area of land.

It was charged that Mr. Elkins was personally interested in this grant. It is well known that he labored night and day to secure the settlement of the boundary line, and finally succeeded in having a bill passed which it was then supposed would put at rest all controversy.

A Dutch syndicate afterwards paid several million dollars for the grant, but discovered that litigation was not at an end, for petitions were subsequently filed by one Maxwell, who claimed to be the original settler on the land, and the case was taken into court. There were still questions pending concerning the grant, though it is believed Mr. Elkins has no further interest in it. Such men as Stephen W. Dorsey and John B. Alley have been identified with the enterprise.

Elkins' connection with the scandalous star mail routes was evident, though the proofs were inadequate.

Before the investigation instituted by Postmaster-General James, who left town when he heard of the appointment, Elkins is said to have had an interest in the numerous routes established by the department in New Mexico.

He also acted as bondsman for other contractors. The process of "working the government" on these star routes was very simple.

The contractor, who "stood in" with the postoffice department at Washington, would enter a proposal to carry the mails of a certain route at a ridiculously low figure. The contract would be awarded him, but before it became necessary for him to do any work, the route would be "expedited" by an increase in the number of trips, and a decrease in the amount of time allowed for the service. For this "expedition" very large sums of money entirely out of proportion to the original bid would be paid and the favored contractor was thus enabled to pocket large sums of money. Various rumors were current at the time of the investigation of the star routers as to the influence which enabled Elkins to escape investigation.

JURY DISAGREED.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—The jury in the case of W. A. Higgins, charged with causing the death of "Aunt" Tillie (colored), by applying a match to her clothing, disagreed. The court refused a request to release Higgins on his own recognizance and the bail was fixed at $2,000 and the case set for the January term.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

London, Dec. 19.—A dispatch from Glasgow this morning says that Pollard's print works, at Barrhead, six miles from that town, have been destroyed by fire.

TIFFIN GOSSIP.

The Fraternities and the Faculty—Bad Men Get Into Jail.

Tiffin, O., Dec. 19.—(Special)—Heidelberg university is all torn up over the action of the faculty in threatening to expel 30 students of the institution for organizing Greek letter fraternities.

The faculty has ordered the offending students to disband the societies and apologize for their conduct, or be expelled. The "frats" stand firm and if the backbone of the faculty does not weaken 30 students, 10 of whom are members of the senior class, will be bounced within the next few days. One of the offenders is a son of President Peters, a most bitter opponent of secret societies, and several others are sons of members of the board of regents.

Peter Moes, a prominent resident of the village of New Riegel, was arrested on the charge of cutting with intent to kill, preferred by Jacob Schira, another resident of the village, whom Moes punished quite severely in a fight. Schira claims that Moes used a knife and cut him three times. Moes waived a preliminary examination before Mayor Abbott and gave $200 for his appearance at the next term of the court of common pleas.

Jack Thom and John C. Michaels were before the mayor, the former charged with stealing some clothing and the latter with stealing a load of wood. Thom went to jail in default of $100 bail and Michaels paid $5 fine and the value of the wood.

THE SKY SCRAPER SETTLED.

Chicago Will Not Insure Buildings Over 120 Feet High.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—The Chicago Fire Underwriters' association, representing a capital of $235,000,000 and comprising every company but one small one doing business here, last night resolved not to insure office buildings over 120 feet high. As capitalists will not lend on uninsured buildings this practically settles the erection of sky scrapers in Chicago.

MORE PEGS THAN HOLES

Disappointed Buckeyes Returning Home

To Nobly Serve Their Country in Private Life.

The Ohio Colony Was Much Larger Than Could Be Taken Care of—Only Seven Offices Apportioned to the State.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The colony of office seekers is rapidly thinning out. There were many pegs but few holes. The roster of Ohio appointments so far includes only Col. Ike Hill, deputy sergeant-at-arms; ex-Representative Pennell of Brown county, book-keeper in the sergeant-at-arms' office; Capt. Bob Betts of Defiance, one of Congressman Donovan's constituents, messenger under the door-keeper, and Milton LeFevre, the general's brother, also in the doorkeeper's roll.

In addition to these, Col. Haynes has a promise from Clerk Kerr of a good position for John K. Conklin of Fremont, at present superintendent of the state shop in the Ohio penitentiary, and Representative Outhwaite has secured a $1,600 clerkship for Pat Walsh of Columbus, who was one of James W. Newman's internal revenue assistants under the Cleveland administration.

The seven places apportioned to Ohio under the doorkeeper have dwindled to three. Ex-Representative Lantis of Preble county expected a good position, but he failed to make the landing. To-day he was offered the janitorship of the house, but he could not reconcile his dignity as an ex-Ohio statesman with such a menial position. He declined it and will go home.

Jake Seizer of Cleveland, who wanted his old place of book-keeper under the sergeant-at-arms, is also a disappointed man, and will shake the dust of the capitol off his feet in a few days.

Proctor Seas of Orrville departed last night. He was tendered a small job, but concluded it was too diminutive to comport with his dignity.

Nick Hocking, E. L. Lease of Tiffin, James McNally of Youngstown and George Gune of Dayton have also gone home impressed with the belief that they can best serve their country in private capacities.

Those who still remain in the field are George Neil of Mt. Vernon, Harry Keifer of Tuscarawas, George Foster of Upper Sandusky, Hower Dumm of Pickaway.

Keifer is reasonably sure of a place as door-banger of the house, but of the others the only one who is likely to score is Foster of Upper Sandusky. Judge Hare is determined to pull him through and the chances are he will succeed unless the tow line breaks.

Take it all in all, Ohio has fared badly in the distribution of the plums. The pressure has been so great from other directions that the Buckeye state did not succeed in cornering the offices as usual.

Most of the Ohio congressmen will eat their Christmas dinners at home. Col. Haynes and Capt. Owens have already left.

LOUISIANA DEMOCRATS.

Both Conventions Place Tickets in the Field.

The Adams Followers Adopt An Anti-Lottery Platform—McEnery Goes In With a Whoop.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 19.—The Adams, farmers' alliance and anti-lottery combine convention, holding its sessions at the state house, adopted a platform, nominated their state ticket, provided for the appointment of a new state central committee and adjourned sine die.

The platform at the outset says: "The democracy of the state of Louisiana in convention assembled do hereby declare their allegiance and support of the time-honored principle of the democratic party, which is the foundation of a free government and the safeguard of the liberties of the people."

It then congratulates the state and other states on the result of the recent congressional election; congratulates the people of Louisiana on the present wise, careful and economical state administration and concludes with the declaration of unalterable opposition to lotteries and the adoption of the proposed revenue amendments to the constitution.

Chairman Wells called the regular democratic convention to order at 1 o'clock. There were 55 parishes in attendance. The credentials committee made a further report, seating the McEnery delegates from Grant and Calcasieu, and adverted at considerable length on the outrageous and fraudulent methods resorted to in order to defeat McEnery at the recent primaries.

After a recess of two hours, the convention was called to order at 5 p. m. The report of the credentials committee was adopted and nominations declared in order. Mr. Hudson of Ouachita nominated Judge S. D. McEnery for governor.

Ex-Gov. Robert Wickliffe was then nominated for lieutenant governor, the vote being unanimous.

The balance of the ticket was filled out as follows: Secretary of state, Leonard P. Mason, of Concordia; state auditor, O. B. Steele, of Union; superintendent of education, John V. Calhoun, of Orleans; state treasurer, Gabriel Montegut, of Terrebone; attorney general, Edgar W. Sutherland, of Desoto.

TWO DEATHS.

Upper Sandusky, Dec. 19.—Abner P. Smith, one of Wyandot's pioneers, has died in this city. He was aged 86 years.

Mrs. Caroline Dannenhauer, widow of the late Frederick Dannenhauer, has died, aged 60 years.

BUCKEYE BREWERY

At Last Secured by the English Syndicate.

Full Particulars of the Transaction and Terms of Sale.

Reorganized As a Limited Company—Its Directors and Officers Divided Between London and Toledo—Messrs. Coghlin and Pomeroy Managers.

The English brewery-buying syndicate has at last got its grasp on Toledo.

The Buckeye brewery has gone with its kindred of St. Louis and elsewhere and Englishmen will reap a share of the profits which the institution will hereafter make.

The price is a big one—$1,300,000—but it is worth it, as it is considered one of the best paying establishments of its kind in the country.

Mr. Dennis Coghlin, who retains an interest, will, with Mr. Geo. E. Pomeroy, continue to manage the business.

As predicted in the Bee three months ago, the brewery has passed into the hands of the English syndicate. The option secured by the English syndicate, and which was to have expired on January 1, has been taken up, and the negotiations closed. The institution will hereafter be known as the Buckeye Brewing company, limited, with a capital stock of $850,000. The new institution was incorporated December 10, 1891, in England. The directors are: A. K. Dibb, director of the York bank, London; Allan Gardner, director of Chicago Tobacco and Provision company, London; A. R. Marten, Chairman Hunsberk & Co., London. The managers are: Dennis Coghlin, Geo. E. Pomeroy and John Jacobi. The secretary of the new company is W. H. Mallet, London. Reference to the advertisement printed in this issue, will give the full particulars of the transaction. It will be seen that Mr. Dennis Coglin and Mr. G. E. Pomeroy, who have for five years past had the actual management of the business, and as such, have built up the trade to its present large dimensions, have agreed to act as managers of the business on behalf of the English company, for a period of five years, at a salary of $4,000 per annum, and such further sum as the company may vote for each year. Mr. Jacobi has also agreed to act as superintendent for a period of three years at the same salary. The deal was consummated on September 1, and all profits made since that time belong to the new company, less interest on the purchased money. H. W. Easum, who visited Toledo a year ago, has fixed the price to appear for the premises, property and good will, at $1,300,000. As will be seen from the advertisement, the preference shares and debentures are on the market, and undoubtedly will be picked up fast. The attorneys for the newly organized company are: Messrs. E. W. Tolerton, Scribner & Hurd, of Toledo; Seward, Guthrie & Moramuetz, of New York, and Nicholas, Graham & Graham, London.

The Bee announced the deal last September, but the fact was denied with the usual promptness, as are many of the Bee's exclusive items.

It is learned to-day that there is some difficulty over certain clauses of the contract, and unless it is settled before January 1 a big legal suit may be the result.

DEED OF A CRAZY MAN.

The Loss of His Wife Turned His Mind.

He Takes a Second Wife, Attempts to Kill Her and Then Blows His Own Head Off With a Shot Gun.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 19.—The little city of Maitland, Holt county, is greatly excited over the suicide of one of the most prominent citizens.

About 1 o'clock yesterday morning Joseph Ensor got up, dressed himself and went into the kitchen. His wife, attracted by his queer actions, followed him and found him loading a revolver. As soon as he saw her he pointed the pistol at her saying, "I will kill you," and fired. She threw up her arm and was shot through the hand. He threw down the pistol and started for his shotgun.

Mrs. Ensor, seeing this, ran out of the house and across the street. Ensor fired at her again, but missed.

When the citizens arrived at the scene they found Ensor sitting on a chair with his head completely blown off. It seems that he put the muzzle of the gun in his mouth and pulled the trigger. Domestic trouble and temporary insanity is the cause.

Mr. Ensor was 60 years old.

About three years ago Mr. Ensor's first wife died, and since then his mind has been more or less unbalanced. He was quite wealthy and had retired from business and had no business cares on his mind. His conduct began to be noticed a few months after his wife's death, when he would frequently disappear, and neither friends nor relatives would know anything of his whereabouts, until suddenly he would communicate with them from some far-off point, his erratic excursions frequently taking him to New York, Florida and Dakota.

About a year ago he married again, his last wife having already had two husbands, a child by each being residents of this city now, Hester Sparwasser and Howard Snider.

The last marriage of Mr. Ensor was an unhappy one, and quarrels between husband and wife were frequent. Joseph Ensor had one son in Savannah, Thomas Ensor, a well known attorney, who was informed of his father's death this morning and who passed through the city this afternoon en route to Maitland.

ASKS FOR DAMAGES.

Upper Sandusky, Dec. 19.—During the summer, Almedia Rauck of this county was bitten by a dog. A few days thereafter she brought suit against Jacob Stover, the dog's owner, for $5,000 damages. The pleas set forth in her petition were that she had sustained a permanent injury and that the dog was a ferocious cur and unmuzzled at the time. The trial of the case is now in progress in the common pleas court and is being watched with great interest, as the parties involved are well known and prominent.

HAD TOO MANY WIVES.

Fostoria, O., Dec. 19.—A couple of years ago G. E. House came from, no one knows where, opened night and normal schools in this city, went some into society, and about a year ago married a daughter of Rev. Thomas, of Arcadia, a village a few miles west of here. He, some months since, removed to Bowling Green. It now develops that he has deserted his wife and has four other living wives from whom he never secured divorces.

THEY ALL CARRY GUNS.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 19.—Another shooting affair, the outcome of an old feud, is reported in the list of such affrays in this state.

On Thursday at Roaring Springs, Ben Davis got in a fight with the Dunn brothers, Jim and George. Shooting was begun at once Jim falling dead and George being fatally wounded. Davis gave bail, but is now at large.

TOOK A DAY OFF.

Denver, Col., Dec. 19.—Judge Mason, of the counsel for the defense, was ill yesterday, and the Graves trial was adjourned.

WHAT SHALL I BUY FOR CHRISTMAS?

That is the question puzzling a good many people at this time. Let us help you—and first of all permit us to say that there is nothing like a good book to give lasting pleasure. Have you a good Atlas? A Webster Dictionary? An Encyclopædia? We have an immense stock to select from in Fiction, Poetry, History, Biography, in plain and fine bindings. Children's Books without end. Teachers' Bibles, Prayer and Hymnals. Gold and Fountain Pens. Games of all sorts. Albums, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Ink Stands, Calendars, Diaries, and a large assortment of Fancy Goods, Fine Stationery, etc., etc. Souvenirs of Toledo just received. STORE OPEN EVENINGS NEXT WEEK.

Brown, Eager & Hull.

THE LITTLE CHILDREN.

How the Divine Command is Observed in This City of Ours,

In Loving Care For the Most Helpless of Them.

The Industrial School—The Kindergartens at the Adams Street and Helping Hand Missions—The Day Nursery for the Babies.

Toledo has three free schools the sole purpose of which is to gather in and teach very small children, who but for the schools would be spending the same hours in rough play upon the streets or in homes where grim necessity forbids their receiving any healthful or useful knowledge. For these hours the children are received, made warm and fed, and taught that to learn and to know should be their ideal state, the process of teaching all the while being made as delightful as any play can be. The oldest of these is

The Industrial School.

It was founded in 1875 by a little band of earnest women, who modeled their plans upon the first industrial school founded in this country, that of New York city, which was established in 1852. Its present officers are: President, Mrs. P. F. Berdan; vice-president, Mrs. Geo. R. Haynes; secretary, Mrs. James Secor; treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Stevens.

Board of Managers—Mesdames P. F. Berdan, J. N. Stevens, James Secor, Miss M. Dickenson, Mesdames W. A. Beach, Geo. R. Haynes, E. D. Potter, jr., J. T. Newton, D. Steele, W. Colburn, D. B. Smith, M. E. Pomeroy, S. H. Bergen, L. H. Bodman, B. E. Bullock, F. Trowbridge, H. E. Marvin, W. J. Walding, Geo. Emerson, V. H. Ketcham, V. Hamilton, A. L. Spitzer, F. B. Swayne, G. E. Pomeroy, jr., A. E. Rood, Geo. Woodbury, Chas. Pratt, O. A. Bostwick, N. B. Eddy, J. J. Freeman.

Advisory Board—Geo. R. Haynes, J. R. Osborn, S. H. Keeler, J. C. Price, James Secor, C. W. Davis, S. M. Young, A. L. Backus, E. D. Potter, jr., W. H. Scott, J. R. Secor, Lawrence Newman.

For six years the efficient teacher of the school has been Miss L. Mooney, and the no less important office of the institution, that of matron, has been filled for almost as many years by Mrs. N. M. Landis. There were 46 scholars in attendance yesterday, both boys and girls. The limit of age over which boys may not be received is 12 years. There is no limit as to girls, though the managers prefer that the children should go to the public school, if possible, when they are old enough.

In the regular school reading and writing are taught, and something of arithmetic and geography. The larger boys do the errands for the place, keep the walks clean, etc. Four afternoons in the week a committee of ladies from the board teach the girls sewing for one hour of each day. Kitchen gardening is taught one hour on Friday afternoons, this work being conducted by Misses Pamela Berdan, Dolly Waite and Mrs. Will Standart.

There is also a kindergarten department, Miss Alida Chapin teacher, and in which yesterday were 17 little ones. The kindergarten was carried on by the board a few months last year, and this year is supported entirely by Mrs. Lawrence Newman.

Each day two of the larger girls are detailed to assist in the kitchen work. A Bee followed them thither yesterday, lured by the appetizing odor that proclaimed that a good dinner was being prepared. The house is very old, and is not arranged as it would be were one built for this use, but it shone with cleanliness throughout. This in itself is a lesson that will not escape the observant eyes of these children. As a further teaching of that virtue next to godliness, there is a bath-room, into the luxury of which all the pupils are inducted in turn, though not all each day.

The board furnishes the flour, and Baker Tate turns it into bread gratuitously. Occasional donations of good things to eat come in, and the other food material, good, plenty and wholesome, is bought. A visiting committee visits the children at their homes. A work committee cuts out the garments the girls make, which are theirs when completed, and additional clothing, including shoes, is distributed. There are also executive, school and supply committees, whose duties are indicated by the titles of the committees.

The school is located on Ontario street, corner of Orange. A quick walk down Ontario, and through Toledo's only accessible, though diminutive park, brings one to the

Kindergarten in the Adams Street Mission.

This was established a few years ago by the ladies of the Church of Our Father, to gather in the little waifs and strays of what was then Canton avenue, along which and in the vicinity of which were the most forlorn of our city's inhabitants, and the children most in need of Christian and Christianizing influences. The character of Canton avenue has greatly changed, as well as its name, but the Church of Our Father kindergarten is still well located for gathering up children who otherwise would be worse than neglected.

The present board of managers of the school are: Mrs. A. G. Jennings, president; Mrs. O. C. Baker, secretary; Mrs. Judge Lenmon, Mesdames John Wheeler, Frank Hathaway, Bolle Tobey, Frank Foster, Harry Ashley. Mrs. C. E. Cunningham has charge of the school, and Miss Grace Rule is her assistant.

As a Bee stepped into the door of the school-room yesterday morning, a chorus of sweet voices was announcing "The Christmas Time is Here," and the piano accompaniment was almost drowned in the rhythmic stamp of tiny feet. Blessed be Froebel, that he taught children should sing with head and hands and feet, as, and dance as well, as did these little ones, all to the accompaniment of song. The activities of little children are irrepressible, and why should they be tortured to attempt the impossible feat of being still or stilled?

This school is conducted five days in the week, from 9 to 11:30, a lunch being served of milk bought by the ladies and buns given daily by Mr. Tate. The children are of all nationalities, white and black, ranging in age from 3 to 7 years. There were some 30 of them yesterday, playing at work, and working at play.

On next Wednesday morning they have a Christmas tree, on which will be hung the gifts their own tiny fingers have made for their parents. They also will receive presents from the ladies of the church. Why not drop in and see what a good thing this kindergarten is?

Kindergarten at Helping Hand Mission.

Three years ago our busy Ys established a kindergarten. The first year it was ont Segur avenue, but for the past two years has been conducted where it now is, in the rooms of the Helping Hand mission. Yesterday 29 little ones were enjoying its privileges. The average attendance last week was 20. All are under school age, and four of them are mischievous-eyed tots of 3 years. Miss Belle Blakeslee is teacher, serving her second year, and Miss Lottie Boddy assists her.

Here, too, the little ones are preparing their Christmas gifts for parents and friends, which will be distributed on Thursday morning. And here the Bee reporter caught up with the lunch that had been just ahead at the two other places visited. Seated in tiny chairs at low tables covered with white oil cloth, with oil cloth bibs tucked under their chins, the babies were wading into dishes of milk into which the teacher had crumbled white bread.

Miss Blakeslee visits the parents of all the children under her charge. They are mainly working men's families, and not the class of homes from which the Adams street kindergarten children come. The round would not have been completed without a peep into our new

Day Nursery for Babies.

There were three of them there yesterday. Little Maude was one, the first baby taken in, and who is brought almost daily, and has come to believe she owns the establishment and all that therein is, including the kind matron, Miss Merchant. The other two had the blackest skins and one of them the whitest teeth ever seen; the second, asleep in his cradle, has not yet achieved a full complement of teeth. The older of these two informed the inquisitive reporter that his name is Donald Jackson and that the cradle occupant's name is Donald Jackson's brother. The purpose of the nursery is becoming known among women who work out, and it will soon be filled.

These are some of many institutions in which Toledo takes just pride. They are the ones which specially appeal at this time to the hearts of fathers and mothers who have safe shelter in the home nest for their own little ones—at this time when approaches the day which commemorates the birth of the Christ-child, "born in the manger," and later having "not where to lay his head."

DEMAND AN INCREASE.

Lake Shore Operators Follow Western Brothers.

And a General Strike is Imminent Unless Satisfactory Overtures Are Made.

The railroad telegraphers the country over, it seems, have at last awakened to their position and recognizing the powerful leverage, the scarcity of competent operators, which is in their hands, are not are not slow to take advantage of the opportunity.

The first step was taken by the Southern Pacific men, who are still out and determined to win or lose all. Similar demands were made by the operators of the Atlantic & Pacific, and after a seige of 24 hours, victory was theirs.

In the meantime the cause has been taken up by the boys nearer home. For over a week a petition has been circulated among the operators on the Air Line and Michigan divisions of the Lake Shore, demanding an increase of pay. It has been signed by every operator, agent and dispatcher, excepting one, on these two divisions. Within the next 24 hours the document will be in the hands of the proper officials of the line, and if the demands are not acceded to a strike will be ordered.

PLEASANT SOCIAL EVENT.

Students of Tri-State Business College Entertain Their Friends.

Last evening a very pleasant affair in the nature of a social was given by the students of the Tri-State Business college and "Best" Shorthand School, in which the students, their teachers and a number of their friends participated. The students began arriving early and long before 8 o'clock the rooms were filled. They came for a good time and they had had it, while some of the students entertained themselves by singing, others gathered in groups about the hall in which the prime discussion was the surprise in store for their teachers. The exercises were somewhat informal and opened with a discussion of the subject as to which was the superior being, man or woman. The discussion was participated in by a few of the students and teachers, resulting in a unanimous decision in favor of the gentler sex. Only one vote being cast in opposition, and that by one of the speakers supporting that side. Just as the question was being decided, in marched a number of students with boxes of oranges, sacks of peanuts, barrels of candy, bunches of bananas, baskets of grapes, etc. This was a signal for the end of the literary part of the program. Immediately after this, the students of the English department presented their teacher, Mrs. E. M. Demuth with a very handsome silk pillow, handkerchief case and calendar. Next the students of the commercial and shorthand departments presented their respective teachers with some very beautiful presents of solid silver, through their representative, Mr. Frank Templeton, in the following speech:

"Profs. C. H. Melchior, C. M. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Melchior: Recognizing your ability as instructors and and your good will and forbearance toward them, also the great good they are deriving from being under your care and guidance, have requested me as their representative to hand you these presents as tokens of the esteem and respect in which you are held by them. We beg you therefore to accept of these, our Christmas greetings, not for their intrinsic value, but for the spirit in which they are given. We now all wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Mr. Templeton being let into this seret was totally unprepared for the surprise in store for him, when Mr. Robinson announced that some one had slipped into his pocket what he supposed to be a lunch, but upon opening found it to be a very beautiful present for Mr. Templeton. The different teachers expressed their gratitude in very appropriate speeches for the occasion, after which the refreshments were indulged in, and thus was a very happy evening ended.

DEATH OF FRANK KAHLO.

Passed Peacefully Away at His Residence on Adams Street.

The many friends of Frank Kahlo will be pained to learn of his death at the family residence on Adams street at 9:30 this morning.

Mr. Kahlo has been a sufferer from mental disorganization for several months, indirectly caused by apoplexy, and he lost instead of gained with time. His death was peaceful and he passed away as though in slumber.

The deceased was 47 years of age, was born in Germany, near Berlin, and came to this country when quite young. He has lived in Toledo ten years. Seven years of the time he was engaged in business. When Judge Pugsley took the bench in common pleas court three years ago Mr. Kahlo was appointed bailiff, which position he faithfully filled until he was taken ill. He was a member of the German Lutheran church, an upright and respected citizen, and a man who made many friends and few enemies.

XMAS | Novelties for holiday buyers.
GLOVES | The genuine Jouvin and other best makes.
LASALLE & KOCH.

A TASTY SOUVENIR.

Brown, Eager & Hull have issued a handsome album of the city cotaining fine photographic views of the principal public buildings with park, river and bridge views. It has 20 pages of illustrations in artistic covers, in imitation of leather, bound together by fancy cord and lettered with gold. A neat souvenir to send to your friends and to advertise the beauty and growth of the city.

RIBBONS | And an elegant line of Ladies' Silk Underwear, Ladies' Silk Hosiery.
HOSIERY |
LASALLE & KOCH

FACTS FROM FINDLAY.

Interesting News From the Brilliant City.

More Gambling Suits Filed in the Courts—Injured Man Wants Ten Thousand Dollars.

Findlay, O., Dec. 19.—(Special)—The anniversary of the Hancock Bible society will be held in the basement of the Presbyterian church next Tuesday evening, December 22. A very interesting program has been arranged for the occasion.

Arrested.

Humane Officer Gross has caused the arrest of Mrs. Emma Cowles on the charge of cruelty to children. It is claimed she shamefully abuses her little step-daughter, and refuses her proper food and clothing. The case will be carefully looked into on Monday in Justice Arford's court.

Carpenter Injured.

Aaron Julean, head carpenter at the Briggs rolling mill, while at work yesterday, cut off nearly all the toes on his left foot, while using a broad ax. He will be crippled for life.

Wants $10,000 Damages.

Benj. S. Fwineny has commenced a suit in common pleas court against Thomas J. Stockhouse, the proprietor of the Sherman House, for the above sum. The plaintiff in his petition claims while building a sewer outlet for the defendant the side walls caved in on him and injured him so that he has not been able to labor since. He also claims he warned the defendant that the earth would cave in on him, but he failed to heed it, hence the suit.

Gambling Suit.

Mrs. Emma Hull has commenced suit before Justice Arford for $300 damages against Ingersoll Shoemaker and Aultman, who it is said run a gambling room. The plaintiff claims her husband has lost over $50 in their rooms and she claims exemplary damages for the balance, $250. The suit will come up before Justice Arford on Monday.

CITY NEWS.

The grip is on the wane in the city.

Ask for Seyfang's "New Process" bread.

A civil service examination will be held at the government building, February 2.

To-morrow is the day when Sunday schools will have the attendance of the year.

Art pottery from all countries at the Daudt Glass & Crockery Co's.

Hosiery and underwear cheap at Flory & Baker's.

Fine china sets at the Daudt Glass & Crockery Co.'s.

Lamps of all kinds and at all prices at the Daudt Glass & Crockery Co's.

Harrison lodge, K. P., gives the next big party at the Pythian castle on New Year's eve.

Holiday goods and toys at special low prices at Flory & Baker's.

All the Rage—the latest in necklaces and bracelets. B. H. Broer, 606 S. St. Clair street.

Pastors' union meets and elects officers next Monday, 10 o'clock, at the First Congregational church.

Rich cut glass at the Daudt Glass & Crockery Co.'s.

Don't fail to see the old reliable jeweler, B. H. Broer, 606 S. St. Clair street, for your holiday presents.

Toledo's delegates are home from the Detroit waterways convention, and are satisfied with the outcome.

The largest assortment of holiday presents at the Daudt Glass & Crockery Co.'s.

The Speranza minstrels will cut their capers to a crowded house at North Baltimore this evening.

Candy is piled mountain high at Armstrong & Clarke's and other points where the sweet stuff is a specialty.

Braun's cooked sauer kraut in glass.

J. Torre & Bro. sued George B. Chiesa in common pleas court to-day to recover $640.15, on account.

Diamonds, loose and mounted. B. H. Broer, 606 S. St. Clair street.

Broadway M. E. church will have a family reunion at the church next Tuesday evening. Everyone is invited.

Buy fine shoes and slippers at Flory & Baker's.

Capt. McMaken and his lieutenants were in Columbus yesterday, making arrangements for rations at inauguration time.

Braun's cooked sauer kraut at your grocer's.

Toledo politicians who have been cavorting at Columbus and elsewhere about the state will rest at home over Sunday.

Send next week's washing to the Toledo Steam Laundry Co. Phone 438.

The Columbus Grove contingent went home happy last night, a verdict of guilty being rendered in the obscene letter case.

Slippers, slippers—large assortment at Flory & Baker's.

Bertha C. Houston sued Robert Sussman in common pleas court to-day to recover $456 on a note.

Umbrellas, new stock, special for the holiday trade. B. H. Broer, 606 S. St. Clair street.

There is one colored girl in the graduating class this year, at the High school, who is one of the brightest scholars among the number.

Braun's cooked sauer kraut for immediate use.

Opera glasses, gold pens, gold spectacles and eye-glasses. B. H. Broer, 606 S. St. Clair street.

A horse hitched to a spring wagon ran away on Summit street this morning and made things lively for a while, but the only damage was a smashed wheel on the wagon.

Some new things just in that will make very acceptable holiday presents. L. Hoerr, 309 Summit street.

No Christmas and New Year's table should be without a bottle of Dr. Siegert's Angostura Bitters, the world renowned appetizer of exquisite flavor. Beware of counterfeits.

Hats and caps, fine shirts, neckwear and furnishings, just the thing for presents, at Flory & Baker's.

The handsome piece of flowers, "Heavenly Port," which was seen at the funeral of the late Col. Billingslea, was given by the employes of the Ketcham Furniture company, instead of the company, as stated at that time.

T. D. Parker will have the finest lot of poultry in the city next week.

A contata, entitled a "Dream of Fairyland," was given at the Fifth Presbyterian church last evening. The little ones who participated did nicely and the ladies who had the entertainment in charge are to be congratulated upon their success.

Ask your grocers and butchers for Brown's home made cooked sauer kraut.

The musicale at the residence of Rev. A. J. Fish last evening was a pleasant affair, and much enjoyed by those present. Vocal and instrumental selections and readings made up the program, following which a social hour was spent. Mr. Fish and his family made their guests feel at home.

Braun's cooked sauer kraut at your butcher's.

Court Ideal No. 7775, held its annual election of officers with the following results: Chief ranger, S. G. Southard; sub. C. R., W. H. Dennis; financial secretary, E. Perrin; recording secretary, F. Scofield; treasurer, T. O. Rodd; prelate, W. C. Coyle; senior woodward, P. L. Snyder; senior beadle, C. Scofield; junior beadle, H. Smith.

From Monday next until after Christmas dinner will begin at the Woman's Exchange at 11 o'clock.

OHIO PENSIONS.

Buckeye Veterans and Their Dependents Who Have Been Granted Pensions.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Pensions have been granted to the following residents of Ohio:

Original—Findlay F. Jacobs, Thomas Bigsbee, Daniel V. Lepley, Harvey Fox, William Jordan, Robert Mitchell.

Additional—Joseph Aplin, William Williams.

Supplemental—Charles C. Lawhead.

Increase—James D. Thompson, Simon Sprinkel, John Hosterman, Edward P. Sheckler, James A. Stewart, Benjamin F. Bixby, George W. Johnson, Moses Hoats, Robert W. Thacker, Alfred Leonard, David M. Rudduck, Frederick Hetenhouser, Edward Nills, William Noggle, George B. Smith, John R. Sheets.

Original widows, etc.—Abigail Dickenson, Sarah E. Fletcher, Eliza Steward, minors of William Hodges, Nancy R. Lyons, Mary J. Herrick, Mary A. Scott (mother), Hannah Stout, Rebecca Eastham, Bridget Holmes, Jennie M. Davidson.

THE K. P. OFFICERS.

Grand Secretary Court has now received returns from 466 lodges which voted in the recent election for Grand Lodge officers. There are 31 lodges unreported, but they will not affect the result given below:

Grand Chancellor—Phil. H. Dorn, 2,976.

Grand Vice Chancellor—H. W. Lewis, 2,983.

Grand Prelate—Sutphen, 1,805; J. A. Carter, 1,154.

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal—S. A. Court, 2,402; E. A. Tucker, 559.

Grand Master of Exchequer—Edmund Hitchens, 2,974.

Grand Master-at-Arms—M. A. Bridge, 2,963.

Grand Inner Guard—Wm. H. Ward, 1,512; M. J. Jenkins, 1,597.

Grand Outer Guard—Isaac Scholes, 389; Jno. W. Winn, 1,666; S. W. Scarist, 158; S. F. Talbot, 208; A. B. Wingate, 75; J. B. Worley, 467.

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Are some of the letters we do not keep in Initial Handkerchiefs. The ones that are wanted we have, and the price will please you. LAMSON BROS.

THE VIRGINIA DEBT.

Will Its Settlement Cause Railroad Securities to Have Better Values?

London, Dec. 19.—The Times, this morning, referring to the Virginia debt settlement says: "We doubt whether the proposed Virginia debt settlement will increase the credit of Virginia, nifi indirectly enhance the value of railway securities. Those bondholders who think it worth while to stand out against the iniquitous settlement have a perfect right to do so and will deserve the thanks of the commercial community should they succeed in making better terms for themselves."

As a result of the meeting the bonds rose 2 1-2 per cent.

WILL GRIND AN ORGAN.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Mrs. H. B. Wells, editress of the White Ribboner, of Jackson, Miss., has been offered and accepted the position of associate editress of the Union Signal, the official organ of the national Women's Christian Temperance Union, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the recent death of Julia A. Ames.

When determining where you will invest or place your surplus funds, or a part or all of your earnings see what the People's Savings, Loan and Building Co. can do for you and what it has done for others.

SUPREME COURT ADJOURNMENT.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The supreme court of the United States has adjourned for the Christmas holidays. It will meet again on January 4.

ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

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MICHIGAN NEWS.

Adrian has the grip, bad.

Ann Arbor will put up new street guides.

L. D. Foote of Fremont has been convicted in Allegan for burglary.

A fund of $6,500 is being raised to establish a school of music in Ann Arbor.

Fred Lanton, an elevator man at Grand Rapids, was crushed to death by his car.

Miss Walker, a Portland school ma'm, was fined $10 and costs for whipping a child.

A farmer of Moscow, Hillsdale county, sold a hog that weighed 610 pounds dressed.

The Detroit, Bay City & Alpena railroad is to be extended into Montmorrency county.

The Universalists of Bay City have extended a call to Rev. F. B. Chace of Rochester.

The Grand Lake club organized in Adrian 16 years ago has just sold all of its property at Grand Lake for $125.

The Mackinac Transportation company have contracted for another large boat to ply between Mackinaw City and St. Ignace.

The warring factions of the United Brethren church at Ionia have gone into court to determine who owns the church property.

The total shipments of the forest products from Muskegon during the season are 224,986,000 feet of lumber, 13,777,000 lath, 9,469,000 shingles and 15,228,000 cords of slabs.

Thes first coins made on this continent were made in Mexico in 1853. They were called the "real," and are now worth $6 each.

Dyspepsia

Makes the lives of many people miserable, causing distress after eating, sour stomach, sick headache, heartburn, loss of appetite, a faint, "all gone" feeling, bad taste, coated tongue, and irregularity of the bowels. Dyspepsia does not get well of itself. It requires careful attention, and a remedy like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which acts gently, yet efficiently. It tones the stomach, regulates the digestion, creates a good appetite, banishes headache, and refreshes the mind.

Distress After Eating

Sick Headache

"I have been troubled with dyspepsia. I had but little appetite, and what I did eat distressed me, or did me little good. After eating I would have a faint or tired, all-gone feeling, as though I had not eaten anything. My trouble was aggravated by my business, painting. Last spring I took Hood's Sarsaparilla, which did me an immense amount of good. It gave me an appetite, and my food relished and satisfied the craving I had previously experienced." GEORGE A. PAGE, Watertown, Mass.

Heartburn

Sour Stomach

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

New York, Dec. 19.—A cable dispatch from the Rome correspondent of the Catholic News announces the appointment of Very Rev. Ignatius F. Hortsmann, D. D., of the cathedral, Philadelphia, as bishop of Cleveland, O.; Rev. Sebastian Messmer, D. D., professor of canon law in the Catholic university at Washington, as bishop of Green Bay, Wis., and Very Rev. James Schwebach, vicar general of La Crosse, Wis., promoted to that vacant see.

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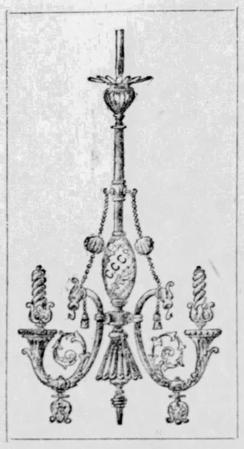

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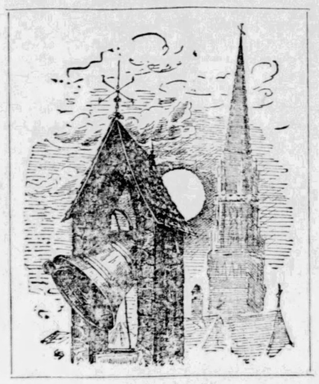
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Well, I've got to buy some Ladies' Shoes and Slippers as presents, any how. Here they are, sir.



HOW WELL CHOSEN THE WORDS!

And I want to buy something that a man 'll appreciate. What is it? Shoes and Slippers, Madame.

CLOTH TOPS.

Ladies' Hand-Welt Front Lace Shoes, Black Cloth Top, $4.50.

Ladies' Hand-Turned, New York last, Black Satin De Lane Tops, $4.50.

Gardiner & Estes' new opera last, Black cloth tops, $5.00.

Ladies' Blue Black cloth tops, $5.00.

Ladies' Seal Brown cloth tops, $5.00.

Ladies' Philadelphia Last—Black De Lane cloth tops—Lace, $4.00.

The same in Button, $4.00.

Hundreds of styles of Kid Shoes at $4, $4.50 and $5.

It would take a whole newspaper as large as the hustling "Bee" even to mention them.

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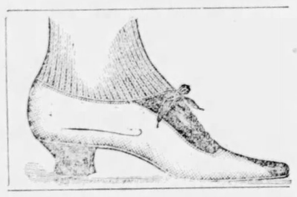

"Billy Taylors" in Black, Kid and Red Goat, $2.50 and $2.75.

Steel Grey Suede, two strap Sandals, steel beaded, $4.

Steel Grey Oxfords, vamps beaded with steel, $3.

Dove Colored Sandal Slippers with beaded vamps and strap, $3 and $3.50.

Grey Oxfords, plain, $2.50.

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Infants'
Red Cacks.

Men's Slippers.

Seal Skin Slippers in Tan and Seal Brown, $3.

Alligators, $2.50 and $3.

Russia Calf, $2.50.

Fancy Goat Bootees, Black, $2.75.

Black Goat with Patent Leather, $2.

Old Gold Plush Embroidered,
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At $1.75 and $2.

Velvet Slippers, hand embroidered, at 65c, 75c, $1, $1.25 and $1.50.

Boys' Red and Blue Goat Slippers.

Sizes 8 to 10 1-2, at $1.25.
Sizes 11 to 2, at $1.50.

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Lace with or without cloth tops.
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ENTERTAINMENTS.

New Society Drama at the Wheeler Opera House.

Christmas Week at the Theaters—Lockstader's Minstrels Coming—Dramatic Notes.

The Old, Old Story, a society play, was presented at Wheeler's last evening to a fair audience. The piece is a rather good one, although not destined to create any sensation. In the cast are some very strong people, and the principal characters are well carried out. The Old, Old Story will be repeated this evening.

Van Courtland.

Victor Hugo's "Lucretia Borgia" will be presented at Wheeler's on Christmas with a matinee and evening performance, by Miss Ida Van Courtland and company.

In speaking of the dresses worn by Ida Van Cortland, the New York Fashion Bazaar says: "Madame Bayley a few weeks ago received an order from the well-known actress, Ida Van Cortland, to get up her costumes for "Lucretia Borgia," which has been dramatized. The result is three elaborate robes. The costumes are authentic reproductions from original plates. The first robe is of red gold brocade, opening over an undergown of scarlet, embroidered with gold, full puffed sleeves, each puff held in place by jeweled serpents; the second costume a flowing robe of yellow silk, bordered with ermine, a soft line of lizard green, opening over an undergown of green, embroidered with silver. Another robe of brocaded black velvet, edged with Russian fox, opening over an undergown of jet. Each costume is furnished with skull cap to match, with jeweled crowns."

People's Next Week.

"Nobody's Claim," with its scenic attractiveness and a strictly first-class company, with Joseph J. Dowling and Sadie Hasson in the lead, will appear at the People's theater next week. Everybody has either seen or heard of this famous play, with its favorite players, hence, nothing need be said, only this, that like wine, it has improved with age. Special scenery will be used, and several mechanical novelties will be introduced; in fact everything pertaining to a first-class performance will be seen with this company. In almost every city in the union where the Dowling-Hasson company have appeared they have been greeted by packed houses, such is their popularity with the public. Being particular favorites, they will doubtless receive the same welcome here.

Minstrels.

Lew Dockstader's minstrels, under the management of Harry Clapham, will hold the boards at the Wheeler opera house next Saturday evening, and a treat is promised. New specialties and music will be introduced and the company is composed of the following artists: Lew Dockstader, Jas. McIntyre, Frank Girard, Edward Marvelle, J. M. Lindsay, Jos. Perry, Fred Salcomb, Philip Rhys, Chas. T. Barnes, Carl Sprose, J. L. Flynn, Harry Davee, H. G. Hill, J. A. Halloway, J. A. Bartlett, F. L. Osgood, George Powers, Thos. H. Heath, Archie Marvelle, Daniel Marvelle, Chas. Noble, John Magrew, J. W. Fielding, E. M. Girard, F. M. Harding, E. M. Waterbury, A. J. Spere, Andrew Dode, H. Marion, Wm. Lason, A. W. Haley, C. Cameron, La Petite Freddy.

Notes.

"Hands Across the Sea" will receive its last production at the People's theater to-night, after a very successful week.

Marion Manola has at last obtained an absolute divorce from Henry Mould, her first husband, known on the stage as Carl Irving. The decree was granted a month ago. Miss Manola married "Jack" Mason about six months ago, as soon as the preliminary decree was issued. She could be punished for contempt of court therefor, but as the court has no legal knowledge of the marriage no steps in the contempt case will be taken.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew, the youngest descendants of the John Drew and McKee Rankin families, inaugurated their first starring tour at Buffalo, Dec. 14, appearing in Archibald D. Gordon's refined but ludicrous comedy, "That Girl From Mexico."

Stuart Robson and Joseph Jefferson will both be in California in February and March, and both will give the Californians a taste of their ability in the old comedies.

"A Temperance Town," Mr. Hoyt's new play, which is a satire on a prohibition town, will be tried for the first time, March 15, in Columbus.

Sol Smith Russell is to play an extended engagement in New York at one of the Broadway theaters after the holidays, appearing in "Peaceful Valley," which will be given a special production for a run.

Frank Carlyle has played the character of Col. Kercheval West in "Shenandoah" more than 1,200 times.

H. R. Jacobs has already begun rebuilding his theater at Cleveland destroyed by fire a few weeks ago.

Clement Scott, the foremost London dramatic critic, writes: "Some day I hope to tell my story of the life of a dramatic critic in Detroit, and then I shall be able to turn the tables in grim earnest. Then I shall have to tell the tale of toil unrewarded, of duty unrecognized, of time wasted, and motives ungenerously misrepresented in the cause of an art still dear to me in spite of the vexation it has caused."

ACTIVITY THE WORD

With the Northwestern Gas Company.

Additional Lines Laid—Wells Drilled—The Meter Put Into Use—Better Service to Patrons.

This has been an exceedingly busy year with the Northwestern Natural Gas company, during which a great many important events bearing upon the financial and executive prosperity have taken place.

The experience during the winters of 1889 and 1890 impressed upon the management of this corporation the necessity of a prompt and radical change in the system of supplying gas. It was realized that the supply must be fostered before adequate and satisfactory service could be had.

The first step in this direction was the shutting off of the supply from the manufacturers, one and all, regardless of the price paid or offered.

So far, so good; but the service was still far from being what the company desired. There was a vast waste of gas in the monthly system.

At this time the meter system was agitated and its advantages as an economizer of gas to the company and money to the consumer were advocated. It was also argued that if the consumers co-operated in saving the gas, by using just what they needed and paying for that much, the pressure would thereby be strengthened and service more satisfactory.

An ordinance was drafted and presented to the council, and the long and bitter strife that followed is remembered by all. Suffice to say that the ordinance was passed and is in force to-day.

After the council had authorized the change, the company still had many disadvantages to contend with in the inauguration of the new system. It was something new, and looked upon by a majority of the people as a plan that would increase the cost of gas as a fuel to a luxury. However, the matter was fully tested, and has proved a success in every instance. From that day on the company could not supply meters fast enough. The meter system has been thoroughly established, and has resulted in a saving of over 50 per cent. with the same service as before.

A few weeks ago the supply was materially strengthened by the construction of a six-inch pipe line from the Sandusky county field. The consumers have plenty of gas, they pay for what they get, and satisfaction is the general report.

STREET CAR COMBINATION.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—The Philadelphia traction company, which is controlled by the Widener and Elkins syndicate, the owners of the great franchises in New York and of great passenger systems in Chicago, Pittsburg, Baltimore and other cities, has secured a practical monopoly of the street car business in this city by the lease of the People's line, its only competitor.

THE CHURCHES.

Pulpit Announcements of Various Pastors for To-Morrow.

Spiritualists meet at Elks' hall Sunday evening. You are invited.

St. Paul's M E. church, corner Madison and Superior streets, Rev. S. D. Hutsinpiller, pastor: Class at 9:30; preaching at 10:30 and 7:30; Sunday school at 12; Epworth league at 6:30.

Unitarian: At the Church of Our Father, Memorial hall annex, to-morrow morning Rev. A. G. Jennings will preach on the "Unjust Steward;" Sunday school after service; subject in adult class, "Social Responsibility."

Grace church, Stickney avenue, Rev. W. C. Hopkins, rector: 8 a. m., holy communion; 10:30 a. m., morning prayer, sermon on "Waiting for Christ;" 7:30 p. m., evening prayer, sermon on "Heaven." Seats always free to all.

Broadway M. E. church, Rev. J. H. Bethards, pastor: Class, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Bible school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Children's jubilee Christmas eve at 7:30. Strangers welcome.

Martin Luther (German and English), corner of Oak and Woodville streets, East Toledo, Rev. E. L. T. Engers, pastor: Sunday school at 9 a. m. English service at 10:30 a. m. Song service at 2 p. m. No service in the evening.

St. Mark's church, Collingwood avenue, Rev. E. Watt, rector: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m.; holy communion, first Sunday of each month 11 a. m.

Eleventh Street Church of Christ, Rev. J. T. H. Stewart will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. The Sunday school will have their Christmas entertainment Friday evening, Dec. 25.

First Presbyterian church, Huron, corner of Orange, Rev. J. A. P. McCaw, pastor: Subject of morning sermon, "Comfort for God's People." Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; evening service at 7:30; subject, "Martin Luther."

Salvation Army will hold meetings in their new hall, on Canton avenue and North street, as follows: Knee drill, 7 a. m.; junior soldiers, 9 a. m.; holiness meeting, 10:30; Christian's united meeting, 3 p. m.; Salvation Army praise meeting, 7:30 p. m. Captain F. W. Jewell.

St. Stephen's English Lutheran church, corner of Oliver and Harrison streets: Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Contrary to previous announcement there will be no preaching in the morning. The service in the evening will begin at 7:30. Rev. E. L. T. Engers, of the Martin Luther church, will officiate.

Memorial Baptist church, corner Oak and Fort streets, Rev. E. E. Williams, pastor: Preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; morning subject, "Will a Man Rob God?" Evening subject, "God's Knowledge of Human Needs." Sunday school at 12 m. in the chapel; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30, in the chapel.

St. John's M. E. church, Magnolia street, Rev. A. J. Fish, pastor; class meeting, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at noon; young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m. At the morning service the pastor will preach on "The New Christ," and in the evening on "The Fall of Samson." The prelude at the morning hour will be "Christmas Gifts."

Trinity church, Rev. Charles Scadding, rector; Rev. W. H. Bamford, assistant: Services to-morrow, fourth Sunday in advent, will be: 9:45, Sunday school; 11, morning prayer, holy communion and sermon; 7:30, evening prayer and sermon. Strangers cordially welcomed, and will be provided with leaflet giving hymns and full order of service.

First Baptist church, Huron street, near Cherry, Rev. William H. Sloan, pastor; preaching to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock; subject, "The Simplicity that Was in Christ;" Sunday school at noon; meeting of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.; preaching at 7:30 p. m.; subject, "The Worship of God;" ordinance of baptism after the sermon.

Bartlett Street church (Disciples of Christ), Rev. A. C. Bartlett, of Edgerton, will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., instead of the pastor, who is engaged for the present in evangelistic work out of the city; Sunday school 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting 7:30 p. m. Thursday. The pastor will probably be at home in one week for one Sunday.

Christmas service in the Third Presbyterian church, Rev. B. K. Ormond, pastor: Sermons at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; subject for morning, "Christ's Visit;" for the evening, "Prove Thy Works." Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a praise meeting at 6:30 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12 m. Appropriate music throughout the exercises. The church will be appropriately decorated.

First Congregational church, St. Clair street, next door to the Boody house, Rev. Wm. W. Williams and Rev. D. M. Fisk, pastors: Prof. Fisk will preach at 10:30 a. m., subject, "Half Manhood, Whole Failure." His evening theme will be "University Extension." Service at 7:30. Y. P. S. C. E. service at 6:30. Bible study at noon; theme, "The Risen Christ and His Disciples," John 21:1-14. Calendars containing full order of service, and the program of the Christmas service will be handed to each worshipper at the door. Christmas services on Friday at 11 a. m.

Central Congregational church, corner Adams and Tenth streets, Rev. H. M. Bacon, pastor: Christmas services, morning and evening, according to the following program:

Morning.

Organ voluntary.
Doxology.
Invocation.
Responsive reading; lesson 72.
Gloria.
Scripture.
Anthem—Sing Alleluia Forth.
Hymn.
Prayer.
Anthem—"Behold! I bring you good tidings of great joy."
Offertory—Solo—"It came upon the midnight clear."
Hymn.
Sermon.
Lord's prayer.
Hymn.
Creed.
Benediction.

Evening Service.

Organ voluntary—Miss Clouse.
Anthem—"Angels from the Realms of Glory"—Choir.
Scripture.
Hymn.
Solo—Miss Colton.
Scripture.
Prayer.
Anthem—"There were Shepherds"—Choir.
Hymn.
Solo—Mrs. Miller.
Offertory—Organ solo—Miss Clouse.
Christmas Hymn—Choir.
Scripture.
Solo—Mr. Lewis.
Anthem—"O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem"—Choir.
Prayer.
Benediction.

The Stollberg & Parks House.

This firm calls attention to the fact that they are showing one of the largest lines of furniture in Toledo, embracing every class and price. For the holiday trade they have an unusual assortment of easy chairs, rockers, desks, book cases, couches, fancy tables, onyx stands, dressing cases, shaving stands, parlor and music cabinets, easels, jewel cases, china cabinets, gilt chairs, fancy baskets, foot rests, blacking cases, brass beds, chiffoniers, hat cabinets, office chairs, hall racks, side boards, and many other things that are not only pretty but useful. This is the month that close comparisons are made, which always result to the firm's benefit. Stollberg & Parks return thanks to all who have so kindly favored them with patronage, and good will.

GRANTED A DIVORCE.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The jury in the suit of W. H. Platt, a retired United States navy engineer, of Connecticut, for divorce from his wife, Martin B. Waller, son of Gov. Waller, being named as co-respondent, have found a verdict in favor of Mrs. Platt.

THE CITY GAS PLANT.

Cost of Construction and Number of Miles Laid.

President Parsons Predicts Plenty of Gas—More Good Wells Secured—One Hundred and Forty Miles Laid.

"It looks now as if we were going to have an abundance of gas," said President Parsons, of the gas board, to a Bee last evening. "This evening we closed a deal whereby a 2,000,000-foot well will be turned into the main line to-morrow. We are negotiating another deal whereby we will get 10,000,000 feet more within a few days."

This will be good news for the thousands who have been shivering for lack of a supply for several weeks.

Efforts to secure the figures in the cost of line and exact numbers of miles laid have so far been unavailing, but the subjoined estimate expressly prepared for the Bee will give a good general idea of the status of the plant. It may be that the number of miles really laid will be somewhat less than that given in the following table, but it will be found not to be many miles out of the way.

The table gives names of contractors, miles laid, and size of pipe.

Contractor.	Miles laid.	Size pipe inches.
Kerlin	14	10
City	10	10
Bartley	5	10
Smith	12	12
Smith	4	10
Smith	1-2	16
Smith	3	14
Smith	4	12
Smith	4	10
Smith	4	8
Erickyards	3	4
Parks Foster	10	3 to 10
Lafayette Co.	7	3 to 8
Smith	2	4 to 16
Kerlin	18	3 to 8
Kerlin	10	2 to 6
McMahon	10	3 to 8
City	20	2 to 8
Total	140 1-2	

Services	6,000
The estimated cost of territory, main line and entire city plant is as follows:	
Cost of main line and territory, bonds	$ 500,000
Gas bond on part of city plant.	250,000
Certificates of indebtedness on city plant	198,000
Gas certificates on money advanced to build city lines	55,000
Total	$1,003,000

The total number of contracts on the books is 6,450, and of these 6,000 have been connected. The income last month from 5,200 consumers was $14,000. Manager Heston places the average income from each consumer at $35 a year, although he believes that with the factories that will be supplied next summer the income will average nearer $40. At $35 the annual income would be $210,000.

The expenses look as if they would run away up over the amount anticipated. The payroll alone for the past two weeks was over $3,200. When it is remembered that the piping was discontinued over two weeks ago, this payroll of $7,000 a month looks steep, and Mr. Greene was undoubtedly wise in refusing to sign it. Of course quite a force is still employed in making connections. It is believed when the services are all in the total expenses will be cut down to $20,000 a year. While the plant is in course of construction the expenses are going to be heavy.

BARN BURNERS CONVICTED.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 19.—The jury in the case of Clark and Gibbons, on trial for burning Dupont's barn, found the defendants guilty. Sentence has not been passed.

LAST OF THE O'CONNELLS.

Haverhill, Mass., Del., Dec. 19.—Daniel Parant, who died here Wednesday of the grippe, was supposed to be the last lineal descendant of Daniel O'Connell. He was an actor.

WENT TO ST. LOUIS.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—The national prohibition convention will be held in St. Louis June 29 and 30.

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES.

The Colloquial Club Meeting—Announcements for Next Week.

Again the Law kindergarten room was filled to its capacity yesterday afternoon with ladies interested in the Women's Colloquial club meetings. While this club numbered only 12 members at its first meetings, in the fall of 1890, it is now evident that its future meetings must draw smaller attendance or new quarters must be secured.

The paper of the afternoon was by Mrs. A. E. Lang, her subject, "Wanted—A Business Woman," which was most ably handled. No more interesting and instructive paper has ever been read before the club. The claim was made that college education for women fitted them for only three professions, law, medicine and teaching. For while a large and increasing number of women were engaged in newspaper work, it was natural aptitude and not college training that secured such places for them. The real journalist "is born, not made." Colleges turn out young men who can take hold of business and succeed in it. That the college-bred young woman did not seek and succeed in business life is because plain business lines are laid out for men alone. The college fosters the idea, but does not create it. "The boys and girls take it with them to college, and they become imbued with it at home. The essayist then dwelt upon the mistakes in home training, beginning with the earliest years when things are excused in our boys because "boys will be boys," and girls are discouraged from following their brothers in the acquisition of the rudiments of knowledge of business, and made to feel unequal to them in many ways, because they must not do things that "are not pretty for girls to do." The paper had many apt illustrations to bring home the truths it presented. Some excellent suggestions were offered for practical and sensible change in training our girls to understand every day business affairs so that men need no longer "pray to be delivered from doing business with a woman."

Miss Emily Bacon presided over the meeting, and a large number of the ladies present took part in the animated discussion upon the paper.

The next meeting will be held on Friday afternoon, Jan. 8, when Mrs. Sarah J. Foley will give the paper, subject to be announced. At the other January meeting the essayist will be Mrs. Rachel Godfrey, her subject: "The American Mother—What She Owes to Herself and What She Owes to Others."

The West Side Political Equality club meets next Saturday afternoon. There promises to be a large attendance as members are cautioned to bear that mysterious report on parliamentary drill.

The New Century club will meet next week with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bateman, Eleventh street, on Saturday evening, the regular meeting night coming on Christmas. Dr. North reads the paper, subject: "The Metric System."

THE COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.

An Institution in Which Most of the Wholesale Houses Have An Interest.

The exchange system of protecting credits has had a rapid growth in the principal cities during the past few years. Wholesale merchants and manufacturers have found that protection from unworthy debtors may be largely accomplished by co-operation among themselves. This system conducts such co-operation in a thorough manner, and yet without in the least disturbing competitive relations. The business was established in Toledo in 1887 by Thomas & Hiett, attorneys, and has grown until nearly all the wholesale houses of Toledo are subscribers, and while no special canvass has been made, many jobbing houses in Mansfield, Fostoria, Findlay and Fort Wayne have availed themselves of its advantages. In September last it was deemed best to incorporate, which was done under the name of "The Commercial Exchange Company," edly wise in refusing to sign it. Of course The incorporators are Geo. H. Cornick, of Pittsburg; Geo. H. Burrows, of Cleveland; W. L. Sprague, of Detroit, and Messrs. Thomas and Hiett. All these gentlemen are managers of highly successful business in this line, and the incorporation practically unites under one management a membership of nearly 700 jobbers and manufacturers. This company will establish new offices in new locations as fast as possible, and already has started an office at Indianapolis with about 75 subscribers.

In connection with this work Messrs. Thomas & Hiett have built up an extended law practice, and have become well known in commercial circles throughout the country.

MRS. ELDERKIN'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. P. Elderkin, sr., will take place in Fremont to-morrow afternoon. Relatives and friends of the family from Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland, Genoa and Elmore will attend. Mrs. Elderkin was a member of the M. E. church at Fremont, and Rev. J. L. Albritton will conduct the funeral services.

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Good evening, and how does the Buzzer suit you to-night?

It will be Adjutant General Pocock, of Columbus, and a valiant soldier he is.

If Griffin does withdraw it will be the first time in his somewhat meteoric history.

Senator Sutton is still a trustee of the asylum, notwithstanding Eby Poe's ruling to the contrary.

The latch string in the new Bee building is always out. Pull it, friends, and come in and see the most complete newspaper establishment between New York and Chicago.

Omaha comes up smiling after defeat for the republican convention, and says that she will "cheerfully entertain the National Drill association and raise the money necessary for prizes."

Republican forecasts of the probable congressional district for this corner include Lucas, Wood, Fulton and any other counties that will help out. The three would be sufficient to equal the population ratio of appointment.

And still the republican managers refuse to tell us why growers of root beets and boilers of maple sap should be paid a bonus out of the people's treasury, while growers of corn and beans and boilers of soap and cider apple sauce must go it alone.

Now that the Waldorf-Bolles controversy has progressed through several chapters t may not be out of place to mention that when the first communication appeared Stephen said he intended to "take Waldorf's intestines out and roast them before the public." Rather a butchering job of which he made a bad blunder for himself.

The waterways convention in session at Detroit is memorialized congress to establish a ten-foot channel connecting all the lakes. An intelligent committee will present the memorial to the committee on appropriations and a strenuous effort will be made to secure the benefits outlined by the convention.

The Foraker organs appear to be much offended because Will Taft has been appointed circuit judge by President Harrison. It so happens that Mr. Taft's brother is the able editor of the Cincinnati Times-Star, a paper which gives Senator Sherman loyal support. A very fine row our friends the enemy are having.

One of the conspicuous figures in public life in Washington this winter is Senator John M. Palmer, of Illinois. Vigorous, and forceful in expression of views upon current politics he commands the attention of president-makers. No calculation for 1892 is complete without considering Senator Palmer's immense middle western strength.

With two appointments within forty-eight hours: Elkins of Star Route fame, and Judge Woods, who dismissed the suit against Blocks-of-five Dudley in the interest of the party it is safe to conclude that President Harrison purposes to rely upon the old freebooters for help to succeed himself in office. No civil service reform and mugwumpery in his "at such a time as this."

Dear Reader, your new Bee building shows magnificently in print today. We say your new building, because the proprietors of this paper and building realize that without the generous patronage of the public such a monument to enterprise would be impossible. Your kindly effort, seconding the go-ahead-ativeness of the Bee makes the new hive thrive and the buzzers rejoice.

The appointment of Judge Woods, of Indiana, as United States District Judge, is positive endorsement of Dudley's blocks-of-five methods, and a reward for dismissing the suit against the conspirator. President Harrison imagines that he may stand in need of such assistance again. The people may hold very contrary opinions. It is the reward of a man who stood disgraced before the bar of the country for dragging the judicial ermine through the worst slough of hoosier state politics.

The whirligig of one brief season brings about strange political situations. Think of Reed, the belted boss of the gavel of the infamous Fifty-first, and Burrows, the boisterous defier of order, on the Rules Committee, where they can bluster, or acquiesce, as they prefer, and it makes no difference at all. How they will "enjoy" it. One can be glad Speaker Crisp did not break the rule of customary courtesy and give the unworthy Ex. an opportunity to pose as a martyr. Such coals on an ordinary bald pate would feel pretty hot.

The Detroit waterways convention opened with four hundred men in their seats ready for business. These represent a great constituency of interested ones—deeply interested, as reports of the proceedings prove. A Michigan delegate, elegantly sarcastic, yesterday offered a resolution of thanks to the government for having aided the Pacific railway to the extent of $112,000,000, and suggested that if congress could collect in a part of the debt it might well be expended in deepening the channel of the lakes. It is estimated that a deep channel to the ocean, which, we are reminded, has been six times surveyed, will cost $18,000,000.

A writer in an exchange sounds the alarm concerning the destruction of vigorous and growing young evergreen trees for Christmas uses. Evergreen thickets spring up at the street corners, the markets are like forest aisles, and spicy pine and balsam perfume residence and church from basement to tower. The sum of it all amounts to a spoliation of our forests, so it is declared, and the choicest are always taken leaving a selection of the unfittest, every year, until the shapely beauties are more and more difficult to find. Each year, before frost, as early as September, the mountain farmer begins the work of devastation. The finest young trees on his domain are cut and stacked under the long sheds, against the time when the market for them shall open. So great is the demand, trees for cities even farther south than Philadelphia are shipped from the north woods of Maine. Weeks before Christmas car loads and car loads pass through the country, an enormous aggregate.

We are coming slowly to understand what forests mean for the good of soil and air. Our forestry laws are very inadequate and our enforcement of them lax enough. What does the school-boy play of "Arbor Day" signify in the balance against the yearly autumn onslaught. It is not that we shall do without our fragrant and beautiful Christmas greens, but that we shall take care to plant and cultivate, at least as fast as we destroy.

Let us not hear any more about the unbusiness like method of women. She of the latter days of the Nineteenth century is a hustler. She went around the world in seventy-three days, two of her. She is "getting there ahead" scores of instances. One day, a little time ago, a New Haven, Conn., business man discovered that an exigency in his affairs demanded an agent in England at the earliest possible moment. There was one half-hour for preparations if one made the next steamer, which was essential. Said Mr. Clark, "who will go?" Every man in the office hesitated. Bessie Johnson, his stenographer, said, "I will go," and she did go and accomplished the mission and returned to her desk one day this week and reported ready for routine work, having been absent just eighteen days. There may be women who are yet the creatures of budgets, bundles and botheration, but the new genus of business women is not of them.

THIS IMPRESSION OF THE BEE.

This number of the Bee is not intended to be a trade edition, neither is it a review of the work of the year, though the occasion is utilized to speak of many things that have transpired in Toledo during 1891. Enterprising merchants and manufacturers so crowded upon our advertising space to-day that it became necessary to "spread out" from the usual eight to twenty-four pages. The new building which was erected by the proprietors of the Bee is now practically completed, and is appropriately described and illustrated, from which the reader will form a very fair idea of the roominess and comfort of the great building, which by far is the best business structure in Toledo. In this connection it is very appropriate to say to the public that since the Bee occupied its elegant new quarters its business has increased in every department. Evidently the citizens of Toledo thoroughly appreciate the enterprise of this journal and accordingly give it generous support. For this evidence of confidence, so substantially expressed, the Bee returns its gracious thanks.

It will be observed that many citizens of business pursuits talk in short interviews on trade subjects in this impression of the Bee. From their articles the reader will obtain a very fair idea of what Toledo is doing. It is said, and truly too, that a newspaper is representative of the city in which it is published. The wide-awake cosmopolitan Bee is the best advertisement to the outside world of the broadgauge, metropolitan progress of Toledo.

To the hundred thousand readers of the Bee the compliments of the season are extended. May you all be happy and prosperous to some to prosperous to all others.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

While Toledo is well awakened on the educational movement known as University Extension, it may be interesting to review briefly the history of the movement in England where it had its origin. When a member of the committee at the High School building, Monday night, said she believed it would be difficult to arrange courses of study that would appeal both to the teacher and the already student, and to working men and women who had necessarily taken so little time for preparation, she was bidden to read the history of the success in England under like conditions. The plan had its inception in 1867, when Prof. James Stuart of Cambridge (now an M. P. and editor of the London Star) began courses of lectures in manufacturing towns. The first course delivered was in answer to a call from a workingmen's club. Then a syndicate was appointed by the University to formulate a plan by which the courses could be extended. In 1876 the Society for Extension of University Teaching was formed in London, and two years later Oxford formally undertook extension work. Recently, courses have been begun by the new Victoria University, which includes colleges in Manchester, Leeds and Liverpool. There are 250 extension centers in England. It is estimated that there were as many as 45,000 attendants at the courses in the year just past. In 1886 the total attendance was 16,752, a most satisfactory increase. The different Universities of Scotland have constituted a joint board to carry on the work. For a single course of twelve lectures, a lecturer receives about $175. Lectures are given in terms of twelve weeks each, separated by the Christmas holidays. As a rule, each center has only one course of lectures presented during a term.

Some of the most thriving centers are among miners in the north of England, and artisan students are among the most ardent supporters of the extension plan. In a number of instances the work has been aided by funds of the co-operative societies. The system seems destined to meet this increasing desire of the working classes for education. What is needed, chief of all, says Prof. Woods, in summing up this chapter, in order that university teaching may be brought to working men, is that the lectures shall be given by those who understand their needs and are ready to meet them on a plane of equality.

The work is taking tangible form in Toledo and all that is necessary is to gain the attention of the live people of the city to the advantages it offers.

A CHANNEL TO THE SEA.

More and more the necessity of an independent American outlet from the Great Lakes to the ocean is realized by the business interests of the east, north and west. The enterprise of the Canadian government has outrun that of our country in this particular, and, at its expense, canals have been constructed around all the rapids of St. Lawrence to accommodate vessels of heavy draught. The original construction of the Welland canal was a monumental undertaking for Canada, and, later, the enlargement of the canal was a project of great importance. What Canada has done, the United States should have done long ago, and what this government has so long neglected to do, should forthwith be done upon a scale adequate for all future demands. The Erie canal might be enlarged, or a canal around Niagara Falls and another connecting Lake Ontario with Lake Champlain and the Hudson River might be constructed. It is time for the United States to act. The waterways convention in Detroit recommended a channel to the sea.

ENGLISH WORKING PEOPLE.

It is very tantalizing to Americans to read the incorrect statements that foreign newspapers frequently make concerning our affairs, and the errors of their conclusions. But we should be patient in spirit, remembering likewise, our own misconception of conditions over there. Our writers and speakers sometimes prefer to be misinformed for political effect. It is a serious accusation, but there are just grounds for it.

Prof. Robert Archey Woods, Lecturer at Andover Seminary, spent six months in cities of England and Scotland preparing himself to deliver lectures in his school on social movements and labor conditions in that country. These papers are collected in book form and present a volume of valuable information. There are many revelations in its pages, for the general reader, and for the student as well. While we read of the deplorable condition of coal miners in Indiana and western Pennsylvania, we are reminded that in north England the coal miners work eight hours a day, support strong trades unions and co-operative stores. In many places they are sustaining university extension lecture courses.

The wonderful work of the last few years is in the cause of unskilled labor; the old unions, with their strength in the North, date back thirty and forty years and have become powerful and wealthy. The main organization of the new Trade Unionism is the Dockers' Union, which came into existence through the great strike in the summer of 1889. This new infusion into the labor element came chiefly through the efforts of two men, John Burns and Tom Mann. The history of the memorable struggle is too fresh in the minds of readers to need repetition. Its results indicate a new epoch in the idea of labor development from within, and the event goes on record as the first time when, to a large extent, the moral sense of the English people began to feel the justice of the laborers' cause. The Dockers Union has been in existence two years, has a membership of 25,000 in London and about 35,000 scattered through the leading ports of the Kingdom. They have a yearly income of $140,000 and publish a monthly paper which has a circulation of nearly 30,000. The Gas Workers and General Laborers' Union, formed in 1889, includes all classes of unskilled labor and has a membership of 120,000 men. Ninety per cent. of these have had an increase of from one-tenth to two-fifths of their wages. These are but a small number of the organizations and are noted because of their recent and rapid growth.

Two women of London, a titled and an untitled one, have interested themselves in organizing the women workers, and are making commendable progress. As an illustration of the brotherly feeling of organizations in the kingdom and the colonies, it is mentioned that during the dock strike in London $180,000 were contributed by the workingmen of Australia, and during the struggle in Australia last summer $60,000 were sent them by English trades unions. In every manufacturing town of any size in England there are working men's clubs; in London alone there are two hundred independent clubs for working men outside the large number which are organized for philanthropic purposes. These have circulating and reference libraries and in nearly all cases excellent benefit features. The co-operative movement in the way of trade is advanced beyond general understanding. These are but outlines of statements, many of which will be in the nature of surprises to those readers who are accustomed to hear only of the "pauper labor of England."

OUR WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Among the institutions of which Toledo is with reason proud are its clubs. Not its pleasure and social clubs, though there are many and the best of their kind, but the clubs in which the governing impulse is something more and deeper than the mere desire for enjoyment. Clubs and societies organized for study, for mutual improvement, and to help others, flourish in our city as if there were something specially nourishing to good impulses in the Maumee breezes.

It is noted, too, that the most of these clubs are women's clubs, or if membership be open to both sexes, then the women members are in the majority. Of the latter class are the Toledo Society of Economic Inquiry, the New Century club, the Catholic club, the Thosophical society, the Shakespeare club, and the many Chautauqua circles. Clubs for women only, include the various suffrage and the W. C. T. U. societies, the Women's Colloquial club, the Ramabai circle, the Isabella circle, the Dante and Browning clubs, and the circles of King's Daughters, the Marietta Holley, and other reading circles.

Some of these in their constitution and their plans and purposes partake more of the nature of societies than of clubs, but they are not wrongly classified under the latter name, and through their doors women enter into the knowledge that association with others for stated reasons and at stated times brings, widening the horizons of their lives, increasing their activities, and bringing them into touch with that onward sweep of great events which constitutes the world's progress.

To enumerate the worthy purposes of these associations is beyond the scope of the present article. It is a vast field our clubs cover, from the Ramabai circle supporting child-widows of India in their far-distant schools, and studying into the conditions that create them, to the Ys and King's Daughters reaching after the little ones in our own back streets; from the students of the occult mysteries to those who are looking into economic questions in America; from those who study the days of Isabella and Columbus, the hidden meanings in Shakespeare's Dante's, Browning's sayings, to those who are trying to find out why each living man has not work enough and bread enough for himself and his family.

Toledo can congratulate itself upon having as its citizens men and women who are in the foremost rank in intellectual studies, in philantropies and moral and industrial reform movements, and in all good works.

OUR LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

Probably no city in proportion to its working population has more labor organizations and more laborers organized than has Toledo, and in no city has there been less industrial disturbance in the last year than in this. There are sixty-six labor organizations within our city limits, unions or local assemblies of Knights of Labor. The last are directly or indirectly connected with and are subordinate to the general order of the name. The majority of the unions are attached through their international organization to the American Federation of Labor. There are, however, quite a number of local unions not affiliated with the Federation or with any other labor body.

Such is the autonomy of this city's labor bodies. In condition they are generally prosperous, well organized and well officered, with good membership and comfortably filled treasuries. Some changes regulating wages or hours have been made during the year, almost all of them by amicable adjustment between employers and employed. Here and there an individual employer has refused concessions, and declined longer to hire members of a labor organization. In some instances organized laborers have withdrawn from an establishment which refused to employ only men carrying a union card. The street-car strike last summer was the only disturbance of that character during the year affecting the general public, and the settlement of that was reached with far less cost and trouble than is usual in such cases.

Such a summing up as this is creditable to the city, to its employing class and to its labor bodies. It has always been true of Toledo. May it long continue to be so.

One phase of our labor organizations, and a highly meritorious one, little understood outside of the organizations, is their beneficiary features. To keep its members in work when they are well, to care for them when they are ill, and to bury their dead, is a part of the duty of these organizations. What they do in these lines they make no boast of. They sound no trumpets over an act that is not to them an exercise of charity but simply of justice. The average working man and woman saves little from month to month, but his or her regular and required monthly dues to the labor organization are cheerfully and promptly paid. When misfortune comes, a stated sum of the amount thus collected is of right the benefit of the individual who helped to amass the whole. Were all the labor organizations of the city to disband, the tax-payers would feel the difference in the demands that would perforce be made upon the infirmary board or the charities of the city.

The educational work of these organizations, another commendable feature, is great. Their entire training is to make a man or woman self-respecting, self-reliant, self-supporting, and to interest him and her in all the world-wide questions which affect labor as well as all other conditions of life.

It is not here claimed that these organizations are always wise in their deliberations or right in their conclusions and resultant action. They act too often from an impulse given by those who unintentionally or designedly mislead the body. They too freqnently hear one side only before judging, and they have the faults that aggregations of men are prone to fall into. But, on the whole, Toledo's labor organizations are models of their kind, and deserve to be understood and respected.

DO NOT FORGET.

Remember to give Christmas gifts and greetings next week to your loved ones, who will repay you in kind and love. Remember to acknowledge your indebtedness to those who contribute to your success in life, and your obligation to those who are dependent upon you.

While remembering these, do not forget the charitable institutions of the city which do so much for the helpless and the unfortunate, and whose power to do depends so greatly upon the aid the fortunate can give them.

Do not forget the Old Ladies' Home, which needs contributions of money and sustenance for the dear old ladies who who are there living out the few remaining years of their lives.

Do not forget the Protestant hospital, and the desire of its managers to erect a sufficiently commodious building to meet a crying need of the city before this season comes round again.

Do not forget the good sisters of St. Vincent's hospital, the doors of which open to so many sick and dying for whom we could find no other place so good.

Do not forget the Humane Society, which is at present in sore need, doing a great work with insufficient funds. You never forget to call upon the society when a case needs investigation. Do not forget it cannot be carried on without money.

Do not forget the free kindergartens at the Adams street mission and the Helping Hand mission, the Industrial school, and the Day Nursery of the Kings Daughters, the Toledo Boys' home, because in all these institutions, as we have shown on another page, generous-hearted and wise-minded women and men are trying to train the youngest of our children in ways that will make them good citizens, and it is your privilege out of your abundance to help.

Do not forget any of the charities for which appeal has been made to you in your church or place of business.

If the Bee has forgotten to mention any one of these, do not you forget it.

"Charity draws down a blessing on the charitable." "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

THE RICH AND THE POOR.

What worshipers we are at the shrine of Mammon to be sure. The least bit of news about man, woman or child must be supplemented with information as to their status regarding wealth or poverty or a midway condition. An exchange contains announcement of a lost child, which concludes by saying, "from the description (of his clothing) he is the child of wealthy parents—somebody's darling." The surmise is added, not only to help identify, but to give the recorded event a sharper interest and to help the reader to determine a proper degree of sympathy.

Some poor workwoman's baby boy, with patched clothes and soiled hat—that wouldn't matter so much; poor people expect sorrow and tribulation. But the daintily clothed child of the rich—if this be understood—the police and the general reader will give attention. This is the trend of thought in such mention.

The betrothal announcement, the marriage notice, the funeral notice, the account of accident, or whatever calls the name into print, the owner thereof must be classified as to worldly possessions. A social party is written up with the aggregate wealth of the guests estimated. Approximate prices are put upon the diamonds worn by the ladies and the bank account, bonds and real estate of the gentlemen is listed to help the reader's imagination hold revel.

The New York papers have flaming columns of announcement to the effect that on Christmas day "the children of the Rich will make glad the hearts of the children of the Poor" with "gingerbread, big apples and sugar candy" plucked from "a Christmas tree that will spread its branches all over Madison Square Garden." One journal puts the inscription.

"Children of the Rich to the Children of the Poor,"

in a little bordered card to make the glory of it the more striking. But list further to the plan: The children of the Rich have such accumulations of toys and handsome things they can give these away to the Poor to make room for the influx of new things. The Rich will pay twenty dollars a box for seats in the balconies above the crowds of the Poor, that they may look down on the enjoyment of the creatures in the lower world and see their bewilderment at being showered with elegant gingerbread loaves and the cast-away toys of their household pets. Here is a paragraph from a paper which goes into transports of delight at the prospect:

"Think of the children of the rich looking down from the upper tiers and gallery at the children of the very poor that they and their parents have tried to make happy."

Think of sorting out God's creatures in this wise! It's enough to make angels weep over latter day Christianity, and in the land that arrogates to itself a wisdom and charity of finer quality than thrives elsewhere in the universe. Heaven forgive us! we worship gold first and God with what ardor we have left. If Christ himself were on earth he would be below with the gingerbread babies, gazed down upon with curiosity by the be-diamonded ladies in their twenty dollar boxes! "A grand moral spectacle" at fancy prices, a Christmas "Show" of human animals, such as some of the Children of the Rich never saw before. Was ever more contemptible exhibition of the caste spirit? It is a New York idea; let New York have the glory—and the disgrace of it.

THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

Still swings the world in its old-time way,
And the morn and the evening make the day.

And the days go by in their ceaseless round, with their strivings and victories; their spring showers, summer blossoms, harvest moons and wintry winds, and with unerring regularity the holiday season, bringing its bright and bountiful cheer, revives the prosy old world and startles it out of its every day jog. It costs a great deal, but it is worth more than it costs. We rush through the weeks at killing pace, our hearts full of good intentions and loving thoughts for one another, but we never have time to make them known. Every day is so full of its duties, the gentle word and deed get postponed, so it is well for us that there is a set season wherein we are called to remember. And the beauty of it depends upon the spirits within, not on the gorgeousness without. A cup of water to the thirsty is more than a glittering jewel to one who has no need. This small season of benediction we are brothers and sisters of the All-Father's great family, and the incense that arises from the kindly deed, the gentle word, the tender thought, sweetens the mental and spiritual atmosphere, and we learn anew the lesson that the kingdom of heaven is within us, or may be.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

"Peace on earth, good will to men." As the day draws nearer on which we commemorate the singing, it is a pleasure to note the many signs of the times which indicate that the hearts of men yearn to realize all its heavenly meaning.

Such a sign is the University Extension system of study, bringing treasures of knowledge which only the few have heretofore enjoyed within reach of the many. Such a sign is the preparation for holding labor congresses upon an extended plan at the coming world's fair. Such a sign is the multiplying of clubs in which diligent search is being made into the problems of the day, not for the benefit of the individual but for the benefit of all. Such a sign is the growing interest of the church and its clergy in the present environments of man, making his present well-doing no less than his future state, its care.

When it was seen that in this land of ours so rich in natural blessings and in its form of government, things were going wrong in our industrial system, pessimists exclaimed that we were undone, that as a nation we were drifting into a kingdom of plutocracy, and as individuals we were changing the condition of freemen for that of slaves.

But the majority of our people, believing in God, in the song sung on Bethlehem's plain, and in the constitution of the United States, only said that we had a new problem to consider and to solve, and so set about it. All these signs of which we have spoken, and others which could be named, show that we are on the right road, and are not laggards in following it.

As we take stock of our world's good on New Year's day, so we involuntarily take stock of moral growth and mental conditions on the Christmas anniversary. It is well among other things to note this growing interest of men in man, of the individual in the general good, for it indicates a recognition of justice to all as the necessary condition of "peace on earth and good will to men," as it also indicates a desire to bring about that condition.

John Boyd Thatcher, a flamboyant world's fair commissioner, in Albany, says the project in New York has felt "a tremendous impetus" within a few days. "Mahoney Depew has spoken, and when he speaks the world stops to listen." New Yorkers stop to listen—and forget to start again, but outside the Empire state is a little patch of ground that helps to constitute "the world." Chauncey better not speak again and cause a halt. The city hasn't half money enough raised yet to buy the silver water urn and goblets to present to the new ship named for it. Yesterday a French item cabled ten dollars, an unknown New Foundland man ten more, and "a bright school girl a bright new nickel." Magnificent metropolis; for tall talk and infinitessimal returns, it takes the cake.

A public school in Boston has instituted a novel plan of interesting its pupils, and so popular has it become the number of visitors upon the special days increased every week. It consists of half-hour talks Wednesday afternoons by some learned and distinguished person, upon any topic of interest he or she may choose, usually of a historic character. The Boston plan is a good one, by way of a change in the school-room routine.

The English language has been enriched by the legalization of some telling slang words and phrases, but we must seriously object to the dragging down to slang level of legitimate English and thus branding it. A metropolitan paper, in conspicuous headlines, announces that "the newest slang" is to "do the best one can," and tells in the text, how it is to be used appropriately.

The new postal cards "for ladies." It is announced, will be about two-thirds the size of those designed for the other sex. What effect. The fashionable hand-writing of the woman of to-day is three times as large as that of the average business man, and she always has ten times as much to say.

December 21 is Forefathers Day, and will be celebrated by New England societies in various cities east and west.

Mr. Blaine's mind is not failing, insists an exchange. When he gets rattled he always writes a letter.

Cause and Effect.

Medical authorities advise as a protection against the "grippe" that pure woolen clothing be worn. But a higher authority, known as McKinleyism, has the first and last say as to what the people of this country shall wear.—Philadelphia Record.

Better Subject Suggested.

The Czar has authorized the holding in Moscow of a congress on prehistoric anthropology. They might also discuss the situation of that portion of the present human race who are about to starve to death and become "remains."—Indianapolis News.

Encouragement to All of Us.

A democratic majority of over fifteen thousand in Boston should be accepted by congress as an encouragement to it to go on in the path of democratic progress.—New York World.

It Probably Would.

The reading of the Congressional Record in the schools is calculated to teach the young idea to shoot—at the teacher.—Chicago Times.

They Tell Stories There Every Day.

Now that there is a lull in legislative circles the statesmen might write Christmas stories for the Congressional Record. —Washington Post.

Other People's Are Anyhow.

Major McKinley's cold may be due to the high tariff on woolen goods.—Boston Herald.

MARGINAL NOTES.

It is the instinct of the appreciative reader to dot with his pencil the passages in a book that are pleasing. Not necessarily to call the attention of a later reader to the sentiment, but somehow to emphasize approval, precisely as one is moved to clap hands in applause when an actor makes a hit. It isn't so much to let the actor know that you think he has done a thing well as it is to give vent to your own emotions. When the feeling is deep and intense, you applaud by breathless silence. In either case the act is subjective, and not for effect, although you are sensible of the ulterior result. I have no patience (I mean no sympathy) with the critic who scolded about "the idiot whose marginal signs marred the pages of his book." I enjoy these "tracks" of the mind that passed over the way ahead of me. If I agree with him I reach out mentally to shake his hand; if I disagree I long to call his attention and tell him so. He tantalizes me only when I cannot determine whether he marked a passage for its goodness or its badness—tastes differ to such a degree. Be patient with my pencil as I read.

There is a gloom in deep love as in deep water; there is a silence in it which suspends the foot, and the folded arm and the dejected head are the images it reflects. No voice shakes its surface; the Muses themselves approach with a tardy and a timid step and with a low, tremulous, melancholy song.—Walter Savage Landor.

The next day Nell went away from Inch Gow and Gilbert and all her childish haunts, never to find them quite the same again. There is no going back on Time's dial, no picking up old threads from the point where they are broken off; the new colors may be brighter and the pattern bolder, but there is something about the old faded fabrics to be remembered tenderly, under all the glories of later days.—Sarah Pitt in her new novel.

Half the misery of the world comes from trying to look, instead of trying to be, what one is not. * * Everything lies in every one of us and has to be brought to the surface. It grows a little in one, more in that one's child, and so on and on, with curious breaks, as of a river which every now and then takes to an underground course. One thing I am sure of—that, however any good thing came, I did not make it: I can only be glad and thankful that in me it came to the surface, to tell me how beautiful must be he who thought of it and made it in me.—George McDonald in the Flight of the Shadow.

(Isn't that a lovely way to compliment one's ancestors? It's a beautiful thought, surprising to no one when it is remembered who put pen to paper for the expression of it).

If things be not as we think, they will both arouse and satisfy better thought, making us glad they are not as we expected.—Ibid.

As Christmas draws near I long more than ever to be doing something for all girls, for I regard myself as being still included among their number, though I have seen more than three-score Christmas days. But I do not feel a bit old and I do not believe I am, for we are always young while we see a great deal before us yet to live for, and that I surely do. Some one has said—and I think with a very great deal of truth—that we are old only according to our feelings, not our years. I will write you a verse embodying a cheering thought, which I think it is well for us to bear in mind, not only upon Christmas, but upon all the other 364 days that go to make up the rolling year:

The soul to God's heart moving on
Owns but the infinite for home;
Whatever with the past has gone,
The best is always yet to come.
—Lucy Larcom.

No woman need be ugly. If there be a soul in her body it has but to begin betimes to show through. From her earliest girlhood the thoughts she thinks, the feelings to which she gives way, the tones she utters, the wishes she indulges are sculpturing lines in her face that are capable of making a special beauty—lines whose writing will remain when bloom fades and sparkle fails.—Harriet Prescott Spofford's "House and Hearth."

To Burns the very air was charged with poetry, and his heart responded to every appeal made to his imagination. He saw Nature with a clear and penetrating vision; his emotions and experiences were blended with the world about him; he loved with infinite tenderness every living thing that made its home in the fields. The commonest wild flower in the verse of this passionate singer has its roots beside the fountain of tears and not a leaf stirs or falls, but its image is caught in the tumultuous sweep and current of life. —Mabie's Short Studies in Literature.

Here again we halted. The sunset itself was enough to hold us; but this afternoon the atmosphere was of unusual clearness and against the sunset's ruddy hues the gnarly branches and interwoven twigs of the old oaks stood out in bold relief. Leafless trees outlined against the gray winter sky are beautiful; the same trees limned upon a rich red sunset are a memorable sight. The minutest twigs are as clearly defined as the giant branches. I was fortunate in seeing these noble trees at the close of day, wrapped in such a warm, mellow light. Monarchs of their race, they stood in quiet repose, conscious of their might; ready to battle, for their own defense, with the fiercest of midwinter storms, or offer shelter, in season, from the hottest of midsummer suns to him who loves their shade.—Charles C. Abbott in Days Out of Doors.

There is another book besides the one just quoted from that I would like to recommend to lovers of nature—her real lovers; those whom her ever-changing mood does not dismay, who learn to enjoy her storms and winds even as the faults of one we love devotedly may become dear to us. It is written by Susan Fenimore Cooper and called "Rural Hours." Simply a journal of every day, for the year; not of personal emotions and house happenings, but of weather, birds, the country fields, the timid wild animals of the woods, their habits—the simple rural life out of doors in a sequestered spot in the Mohawk valley. Notice this delicious bit of description:

Walked in the afternoon, though the sky was still cloudy and threatening. Chilled to follow the highway, for the woods are damp and dripping and the grass matted after the heavy rain. But our walk proved very pleasant. It is not always those who climb in search of a commanding position, nor those who diverge from the beaten track at the beck of truant fancy, who meet with the most enjoyment. The views beneath a sober sky were still beautiful. The village lay reflected in the clear, gray waters as though it had nothing to do this idle afternoon but to smile upon its own image in the lake. E. C. T.

RAM'S HORNETS.

Imitation virtues never wear well.

Love is thrown away when it is not a life of love.

If you set up for a growler you can always be busy.

Those who have a will to learn find the world full of teachers.

There is no mansion in heaven for the man who is mean to his wife.

God is not always the best known in the church that has the highest steeple.

The only reason why children hate sermons is because they do not understand them.

People who blow their own horns do not always furnish good music for other people.

The devil is proud of the man who never tries to let anybody know that he is religious outside of church.

If we only knew that we were being watched every moment from heaven, how the importance of our lives would be magnified.

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MENTIONED ON THE STREETS.

That furs have been rather a drug on the market thus far.

That Byron Case is contemplating matrimony "some sweet day."

That most of the stores will be open every evening until Christmas.

That the English syndicate has finally got hold of a Toledo brewery.

That the Salvation Army still turns out every evening, in the heat, cold or mud.

That Charley Griffin had lots of fun while posing as a candidate for speaker.

That for a man who is beat already, Senator Sherman is causing considerable commotion.

That the buoys and other guides for mariners in the bay have been housed for the winter.

That Joe Huber has a new tune he is ready to whistle on the first occasion that offers.

That Toledo ought to be represented in the State charities convention at Columbus next month.

That several other suits are being prepared for filing on account of the recent railroad wreck.

That a comedy will take the place of the usual masquerade ball at the asylum on Christmas night.

That the output of the Gendron Wheel works, noticed elsewhere, partakes of the fabulous nature.

That the Ohio boy bobs up serenely once more in the person of the new secretary of war, Steve Elkins.

That Toledo has as live merchants in every line of trade as are to be found in any city in the United States.

That Grand Chief Southard of the Foresters will report phenomenal gains in the membership of the order at the close of his term.

That Colonel Joe Bonner will get more money from his recently patented invoice blank than he will out of his colonelcy on Gov. McKinley's staff.

That a truce has been declared in the local Sherman-Foraker fight between the occupants of the corner buildings on St. Clair and Superior streets.

That some of Lucas county's farmers should compete for some of the special prizes offered by the state board of agriculture for test of milk cows.

That several Toledoans who have an ingenious turn of mind have secured patents on their inventions, and are now waiting for the riches to roll in.

That the action of the waterways convention at Detroit this week will have a good effect in bringing the important subject to the attention of congress.

That Probate Judge Millard is getting out a large stock of marriage licenses for use next week, and the boys not want to be disappointed either, boys and girls.

That John Craig would like to build several new boats at his shipyard during the coming season, and is not caring for whom they are put on the stocks.

That Elmer Dale and his assistants will go to Bowling Green on New Year's night to install the K. P. lodge officers. Elmer is quite a favorite in Wood county.

That Senator Sutton and W. C. Tingle are at the head of a large Putnam county delegation who have been interested in a Columbus Grove case in United States court this week.

That there are not to be found any sympathizers in Toledo for Columbus in being thrown out of the base ball combination. It is another case of chickens come home to roost.

That public school pupils would be pleased to learn of the members of the board of education opening the hearts to allow the Christmas vacation to commence Wednesday afternoon, instead of Thursday, so as to give the scholars a chance to do some buying for relatives and friends.

DIED AT 84.

Wauseon, Dec. 19.—(Special)—Gilman Cheadle died last night at the age of 84. He was prominently identified with the greenback craze, and several decisions of the supreme court have his name appended thereto, vouchsafing that he was an unyielding foe to meet.

There is a growing sentiment in Milwaukee in favor of the municipal control of the electric lighting plants.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

The Prince of Wales has been grand master of the grand lodge of Masons of England for 17 years.

It is rather singular that the oldest two West Pointers should be named Young and Greene, for each of them is a man of 90 years.

Elwell Ap Barnard, of Rhysdale, Wales, has written a remarkable poem to his cow. It contains 100 stanzas and some clever new rhymes.

Bishop Brooks, of Massachusetts, will retain as his residence the rectory of Trinity church, Boston. The house occupied by the late Bishop Paddock has been sold.

It is only a few years ago that F. T. Dubois, now senator from Idaho with a salary of $5,000 a year, was trying hard to get a $1,200 clerkship in Washington.

The birthplace of Chopin, the composer, is to be suitably marked through the activity of the Musical Society of Warsaw. The dwelling is now occupied by a poor peasant family.

Florence, the actor, was near-sighted, and could never recognize any of his friends in the seats of a theater from his place on the stage. He thought he could play better for that reason.

The constant drop of water wears away the hardest stone; the constant gnaw of Towser masticates the toughest bone; the constant cooing lover carries off the blushing maid, and the constant advertiser is the one that gets the trade.—Lewiston Free Press.

Cardinal Gibbons is a very regal and imposing man in his robes of state, but beneath them he wears a very kindly and gentle manner. He is especially fond of children and likes to have them about him. He is a witty and ready talker, with a keen memory for names and faces. In general society the cardinal is easy, with an absolute lack of self-consciousness, and very courtly.

NEWSPAPER WISDOM.

It didn't take the Prodigal Son a great while to learn the difference between husks and veal.—Columbus Post.

The richer a man becomes the more anxious he is to see a show for nothing.—Milwaukee Journal.

"This is a dark stain on the page of history," said the school-boy, as he upset the ink bottle over his book.—Baltimore American.

"To look at that young clerk one would think that he carried a greater weight of responsibility than the proprietor," "Well, he does, for that matter. The proprietor can make mistakes without losing his job."—Indianapolis Journal.

When a man goes wrong "there is always a woman at the bottom of it." When a man goes right we never hear that there is a woman at the top of it, but there is.—Galveston News.

"Your son is a half-back on the Mulligatawny University eleven, is he not, Mr. Hicks?" "He was this morning. I don't expect to see more than a quarter of him back to-night, though."—Harper's Bazar.

Mrs. Sidon—I've been shopping all day. I am just ready to die, I am so tired. Mr. Sidon—So am I. Mrs. Sidon—Goodness! What should make you tired? Mr. Sidon—The bills that came to the office.—Puck.

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AMONG THE PEOPLE.

Jottings of Personal Mention About the City,

Gleaned by Members of the Bee Staff—Socials and Small Parties at Different Homes.

Mrs. Judge Seney has returned to Findlay.

Mr. Joe Young has recovered from his recent illness.

Miss Collins will return to Cleveland next Tuesday.

Dr. Hammer, of Broadway, has been ill several days.

W. F. Carrington is in Chicago, where he went on business.

Miss Annie Southard will spend Sunday with her parents.

Charlie Bowman has returned home after an eastern trip.

Capt. Billy Morehouse and F. O. Paddock are ill with the grip.

Mrs. H. Bloom will spend the holidays with her parents in Genoa.

Mr. Fred Reynolds and wife will spend the holidays in New York.

Mrs. A. R. Sisson gave a pleasant whist party on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. A. J. Kroanke of 112 Illinois street has been ill with la grippe.

D. B. Smith, F. J. Zahm and W. M. Beliman have returned from Detroit.

Miss Camilla Fisk will give a reception Tuesday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock.

Mrs. M. R. Dwyer entertained on Wednesday afternoon lady friends at whist.

The cantata given at the Third Presbyterian church last evening was a great success.

Mrs. Joseph Keip and Miss Amanda Getz have returned from a pleasant visit in Detroit.

Rev. Wm. Burns gives his fourth and last sermon at St. Francis de Sales tomorrow night.

Mrs. Charles O'Shea, of Riverside, East Toledo, entertained pleasantly at tea Wednesday evening.

Messrs. F. and G. S. Eggeman will go to Detroit tomorrow to visit their mother, who is very ill.

Miss Rose Clouse's advanced pupils gave a delightful musicale at the Central Congregational church last evening.

Mrs. Simon Sullivan and daughter Minnie left this morning for a brief visit with friends at Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Julia Mathois and Violet Goulet planned a surprise party for Gertrude Hardy, which was given last evening.

Mrs. L. G. Richardson gave a reception yesterday afternoon to her lady friends at her pretty home on Lawrence avenue.

T. H. Hamilton, Ithaca, N. Y.; A. C. Kelsey and wife, Chicago, and Albert Dickinson, of Chicago, are registered at the Boody.

It has been rumored that Mr. Casey will soon join the matrimonial ranks, having won the consent of one of Toledo's charming ladies.

Mrs. J. W. Peterson, who has been visiting with her son, T. J. Peterson, 22 West Woodruff street, returned to her home in Defiance this afternoon.

Perry J. Pitchin, of the law department of the university of Michigan, has returned home to spend the holidays with his parents at their residence, 231 Broadway.

The lecture at Miss Phelps' school last evening was well attended. These lectures are free to all, and specially to mothers. There will be several more this winter.

Mrs. Mary Horn passed through Toledo Thursday en route to Atlanta, where she had been summoned to her little daughter Belle, who has been attacked with scarlet fever.

Drs. Mary Allen and Susan Munson, of this city, have arrived in San Rafael, Cal., where they will spend the winter. In consequence of colds taken at Denver, both are ill with grip.

J. W. Wyman, who has been cashier of the Maumee Union Deposit bank for several years, has gone to Chicago where he will engage in a manufacturing business.

Mr. Frank F. Williams, of Pueblo, Cal.; P. C. Breckenridge, revenue collector, Norwalk; Miss Sloane, Athens, O.; T. L. Bishop, Bryce, O., and Mr. James Gilberds, an inventor of a self-sealing bottle, are at the Hamilton.

Miss Nettie Hubbard entertained the K. S. C. H. C. club last evening. Card playing and dancing were enjoyed until 12 o'clock, when refreshments were served. The young ladies belonging to the club are: The Misses May Clayton, Jessie Whittingham, Nettie Hubbard, Della Knapp and Ella Sudor.

The following ladies met with Miss Florence Curry Monday evening and formed themselves into a Chopin society: The Misses Florence Curry, Florence Fisk, Camilla Fisk, Amelia Bruksieker, Perla Bowman, Leonie Schuck, Lily Frost, Lizzie Paddock, Mayme Ruedy and Miss Clouse. Miss Amy Heydon Brown, honorary member.

Miss Rose Clouse's little pupils gave a musicale at Miss Romaine Curry's, which was very pleasant. The participants were: Tilla and Lena Hassencahl, Rose and Herman Hill, Mabel and Lulu Rothfuss, Walter Braun, Walter Eversman, Dorothy Bonner, Anna Sprague, Flossy Ernst, Alice Melvin, Romaine Curry.

DEATH OF MRS. ANDREWS.

The widow of Doctor John Andrews, former president of the old State Bank of Ohio, and aunt of Mr. A. L. Backus of this city, died this morning at Columbus, O. Thus is removed by death a most excellent Christian woman whose parents were among the early settlers of Ohio in 1788 and 1790. Mrs. Andrews was born at Marietta early in the present century.

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COMMITTEE ON RULES.

It Has Made Its Report to the House.

The Committees the Speaker Will Make.

Memberships Changed and Other Matters of General Interest for Readers of Congressional News.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Promptly at noon Speaker Crisp rapped for order, and in reverent attitude the members listened to an earnest prayer for their welfare by Chaplain Milburn.

Mr. McMillin, of Tennessee, offered a concurrent resolution providing for adjournment from December 23 to January 5, which was adopted.

Mr. McMillin, from the committee on rules, submitted a report covering the appointment of committees for the Fifty-second congress.

1. That the speaker be authorized to appoint the following standing committees: Ways and means, elections, judiciary, appropriations, interstate and foreign commerce, rivers and harbors, agriculture, postoffices and post roads, and claims, to consist of 15 members each; banking and currency, coinage, weights and measures, merchant marine and fisheries, foreign affairs, military affairs, naval affairs, public lands, Indian affairs, territories, railways and canals, mines and mining, public buildings and grounds, Pacific railroads, levees and improvements of the Mississippi river, education, labor, militia, patents, invalid pensions, pensions, war claims, private land claims, District of Columbia, revision of the laws, to consist of 13 members; manufactures, 11 members; accounts, nine members; expenditures in the several executive departments, one for each department; expenditures on public buildings, to consist of seven members each; on rules and mileage, to consist of five members each; joint standing committees on library, three members; on printing, three members; on enrolled bills, seven members.

2. The speaker is authorized to appoint such select and conferences committees as may be ordered.

3. The first-named member shall be chairman of the committee; in his absence the second member shall serve as chairman, unless the members select one of their number to serve; in case of vacancy by death of chairman, the speaker shall appoint another to serve in his stead.

4. Chairmen of committees shall appoint the clerks and assistant clerks thereof, to be approved by the members.

In connection with the report Mr. McMillin presented an order directing the speaker to appoint the following select committee:

Reform in the civil service; election of president, vice president and representatives in congress, 13 members each; alcoholic liquor traffic, immigration and naturalization, irrigation of the arid lands and quadro-centennial, 11 members each; ventilation and acoustics, seven each.

After the report had been read Mr. McMillin stated that the changes made by the committee had not been many. The committee on ways and means has been increased from 13 to 15, because since the committee was fixed at the former number the membership of the house had largely grown and the importance of the committee made it fit that it should keep in pace in size with the house.

The committee on Indian depredation claims had been abolished for the reason that in the last congress a bill had been passed referring all such claims to a special court for consideration and adjudication.

The committee on world's fair and immigration and naturalization had been increased from 9 to 11 members for reasons that were apparent to every one—their present and growing importance.

A change had been made in the name of the committee on commerce to that of interstate and foreign commerce to cover the scope of the questions with which that committee is expected to deal.

The most striking change was in the method of succession to the chairmanship of a committee in case of the death of the chairman.

The second member, under the old rule, took the vacant place; now the chair will appoint, as in the first place.

In answer to a question Mr. McMillin said he did not know any reason for making a difference in the case of death from that of resignation, and was for himself willing to put them both on the same basis. Mr. McMillin said, in conclusion, that the committee had not undertaken, for want of time, to fix the jurisdiction of the committees—that will be reported in the future.

In answer to Mr. Springer, Mr. McMillin said there would probably be no objection to making the name of the World's fair committee the committee on the Columbian Exposition.

The report of the committee was agreed to. A joint resolution by Mr. Springer providing for the payment of salaries to employes for the month on the 24th instant was passed.

Mr. Enloe offered a resolution which was referred to the committee on rules. It provides for a special committee of five to investigate the pension bureau in regard to rerating and other alleged irregularities.

Mr. Catchings moved that when the house adjourn it be to Wednesday the 23d, with the understanding that on that day no business be in order except the joint resolution providing for the holiday recess, swearing in of new members and the announcement of committees.

Agreed to.

Mr. Chipman, of Michigan, then announced the death of his colleague, Hon. M. H. Ford, and in pursuance of the usual resolution the house at 12:35 adjourned until Wednesday.

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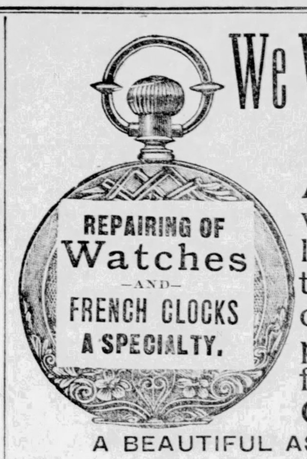

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The Company of Bee Householders Meet Once Again.

Christmas Cheer—The Day of Days the World Over—In Memoriam—A Pioneer School—Plea for the Trees—Tea Table Talk.

CHRISTMAS GREETING.

The birds of the summer have vanished,
The flowers of the summer are dead;
Oh! where is the cheer for the rest of the year
Since all the bright creatures have fled?

The blue-jay is calling "ha-loo-loo!"
The snow-birds are jolly with glee;
Oh! plenty the cheer for the rest of the year,
For Christmas is coming, you see.

Oh! ring the joy-bells with a jingle,
Oh! Star in the eastward appear,
While jolly the jingle with joy-shouts mingle,
For Christmas is almost here.

Mrs. M. A. Sutfin.

HYMN OF THE BELLS.

Christmas bells, O, ring and ring!
Ere the first faint streak of dawning;
Children blessed, sing and sing
Happy songs of Christmas morning.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, heavenly music—
See the radiant guiding star!
Star that shone and strains that sounded
When the Eastern kings were riding from afar.

Christ is born! the wise men came
To the lowly Bethlehem manger;
Saw the virgin, pure of name,
Clasping close the heavenly stranger.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, humble shepherds
Tending flocks on Judea's hill
Heard the song nor knew its meaning, in the night-time—
"Peace on earth, to men, good will."

So we come and seek His face
While the Christmas bells are ringing;
So we ask His saving grace
While the world His praise is singing.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, gentle Savior,
Calling oft and oft again—
Love and keep us, bless and save us, for thy glory,
Thine in earth and Heaven, amen.

Christmas in All Countries.

What matters it to us whether Christ was born when April showers descended on the lowly roof that sheltered his head, or when the pure clear light of a Judean winter fell on the weary way the holy family trod. What matter if Eastern savants declare that Izdhubar, Mithra, Buddha and Osiris were each born of a Virgin on the natal day that tradition sets for the infant Jesus. Sacred "Dies Natalis." For nearly two thousand years, human ears have heard the angels sing, "Peace and Good Will," the star has shone for the guidance of wandering human feet, the sweet faith has lifted life from its low plane into the upper air of love and exaltation, of hope and undying aspirations. We will not quarrel with it or analyze its probabilities and possibilities. We will not let go the faith and the song for there is nothing within the reach of grasping hands, that offers half the comfort and assurance. To be Christ-like is to be secure of the best in this world and prepared for the mysteries beyond, so far as finite understanding can go. And this is the only true worship: a following humbly in the way He has illuminated by His inspired words and heavenly deeds.

Wonderful legends of old hung about the day and its observances; elves and fairies intent upon good, were supposed to be hidden in the greens and hollies that wreathed the home wall and church altars. All about Bethlehem fruit trees were said to shake out their fragrant blossoms, and this is why some old believers say, the time of year we celebrate is wrong. In England the Christmas rose opened its tinted folds, the Christ-herb of Germany and the Noel rose of France burst into beauty and odor, mutely saying, "Joy to the world the Lord has come." On the night of the Nativity the oxen kneel in their stalls, and in Persia and India the crowing of the sacred cock at midnight expels demons and renders them powerless for harm.

We scarcely realize that in some country, at some time, all these legends so uncanny and absurd to us, were devoutly accepted as truth. Perhaps the disillusion was as sorrowful as would be the banishment of Santa Claus from our childhood world. But Santa Claus came to us from Germany and to Germany from the Pagan peoples. An holy child in the arms of his mother, a gift to the world, looked down from sacred places on bowed Egyptians, before the cross was placed above the crescent and before Judea's morning stars sang together. The Christian Deutchlanders said "the holy child" which is our "Santa Claus." The Christmas tree dates from the days when Thor, Woden and Frida were worshiped. Germany celebrates the day with peculiar heartiness. The gift tree is lighted in the humblest home, and the best eating and drinking that can be afforded is indulged in.

Rural England still observes the Christmas "Waits" customs. Carols are sung from house till the solemn midnight hour approaches. The roast beef, roast goose and plum pudding, with brandy burning blue atop are still good English cheer. The Yule log and wassail bowl are only memories of the feudal times. Feasting and singing of carols marked the French Christmas. The street carols became sacrelicious instead of sacred and are discontinued. The churches and cathedrals say holy mass and burn the tall tapers through all the sacred hours. In sunny Italy the worship of the Virgin, with the Holy Child is excessively devotional. The Spaniards make of Christmas a gala day, of music, color, eating and rejoicing. These are the preliminaries; the dawn of the sacred morning finds the churches filled with the erstwhile gay revelers, intonating their prayers in humble attitude. Of Scotland's way, Walter Scott sang:

On Christmas eve the bells were rung;
On Christmas eve the mass was sung;
* * * * *
The damsel donned her kirtle sheen;
The hall was dressed with holly green;
Forth to the wood the merry men go
To gather in the mistletoe.

In Australia, they wear white muslin and sit on the veranda, with gardens gorgeous in bloom, and iced drinks and cooled bananas are more tempting than the roasts and meat pies which, true to merrie England, they place upon the festive board. This they do in our far southland.

The Esquimaux eat frozen salmon, reindeer meat and blubber in a snow house and call it a Christmas feast. Then they sing and dance and talk and put out the lights and engage in a regular pandemonium dance to the time of drums; and a kind of Santa Claus breaks in upon them, to signify, by the way he falls when thrust by them, if it will be a good season for walrus hunting.

The Mohammedans' Christmas occurs April 22 according to the Greek calendar, and the name of it is "Mow ladoul nabee." The towns are like a great fair or bazar, and prayers and texts from the Koran are recited everywhere on the streets. The Mohammedans honor Christ as a prophet of God, though Allah is the only true and divine prophet.

But Christmas in Bethlehem, the place of the Nativity, what is it like? The festivities last nearly four weeks. The great Church of the Nativity, built by the Empress Helena in the fourth century, is supposed to cover the stable and manger where Christ was born, the spot over which the bright star hung to guide the wise men across the desert. Catholic, Greek and Armenian monasteries are under one roof. The road leading from Jerusalem is bright with colors of the various caravans. The great cathedral is a blaze of light, and at midnight the celebration begins. Hundreds of priests chant and the crowds of worshipers join. At three o'clock in the morning a procession is formed, and the waxen image of Christ in a golden crib is carried to the manger hewn in a rock, the identical one where it is believed the Savior was born, and placed therein. Then the great organ peals forth and the Peace anthem is sung. Protestant churches hold services; twelve days later the Greek church celebrates with greater pomp still, and two weeks later the Armenians.

The Christmas most memorable in American history was the day in 1776. The evening was starless and stormy. The darkest days of the revolution were upon the brave army. At Trenton on the Delaware was an army of 1,500 Hessians under Col. Rahl, holding high carnival. There was nothing to fear. The river was full of ice and the American army were on the other side. "Let us retreat to the mountains," said the under officers. "We will cross the Delaware and surprise the enemy," commanded Washington.

Through all the long night hours, the lamps flared upon the feasting and rioting soldiery. While the revel was at its height, they were startled by the cry of "The foe! the foe!"

Washington had crossed the Delaware —a feat no one believed possible—and had marched hastily upon the Hessian camp. Defense was futile. Colonel Rahl was shot down while attempting to rally his men, and nearly one thousand Hessians threw down their arms.

So that Christmas passed into history to be remembered forever by all patriotic hearts.

THE DAY OF GIVING.

In the amber days of autumn, when the mallows blush and glow,
And the ambient "upper ocean" holds a crystal hint of snow,
Comes an hour of tender feeling when charity holds sway,
And the world is gently thoughtful on the Nation's Giving Day.

Then the jocund-visaged pumpkin gives its wealth of toothsome gold,
Sandwiched 'twixt the snowy crustings into flaky lightness roll'd,
And the oligarchic gobbler, child of pomp and indolence,
Gives his plump and luscious being to the spit of recompense.

O! Father of the helpless, hasten Thou the blessed morn
That the faithful long have waited, promised since the Christ was born,
When there shall be in all the land no barred nor bolted door,
Nor marbled super-selfishness, nor hungry, hoveled poor.

Those Other Days.

"Come, gentle snows, from the low dropping clouds,
And cover last year's weeds and wan regrets."

Dear reader, you who are northern born and country bred, do you not find yourselves longing for snow-covered fields and lanes, the big, old-fashioned sleigh and all the blankets that house and stable can afford, the jolly company that make the soft-snow atmosphere ring with merry songs to the accompaniment of jingling bells, four strings on the leaders of the quadruple team and two on the wheel horses? You have been there. How wide and far-stretching the country looks in its undulating hill and valley, white and unbroken, away to the horizon, with only belts of timber and go-as-you-please fences to divide its glistening, sparkling surface. What a sweep of starry sky above the great white expanse. What delicious quality to the air, as grateful to the senses as a draught of water to a thirsty one. Everything earthly is hidden under the soft, fine fleece; there is only the wide, white landscape, the star-lit sky, the frost jewels diamonding the ermine hung trees —and ourselves. Oh, Heaven! What happy young hearts there were. 'Twas bliss undefinable just to be alive and shout and sing together.

And do you know, all the glory of the woods has not departed with the summer lilies and the whippoorwills? There's beauty and grandeur in the winter forest and delight in a walk therein. Wish I could take you into the woods of North Michigan where the snow lies over everything that doesn't rise up and push out of it. The great, gloomy hemlocks like black-robed priests pronouncing benediction; the wierd silence, the soft, spicy atmosphere from the snow, the pine and the cedar. You know what a tangle of ferns, wintergreen berries and arbutus are buried under the fleecy coverlet. They hear your footfalls over their muffled heads and stir in their sleep wondering if it is "time." What a quiet, slumbrous, happy sort of rest it is. Ah, how much there is that lies within our reach for enjoyment in this changeful, wonderful, beautiful world, that we get not even a taste of. The hearts of our friends may change; they may pass us with averted faces, but Nature never plays us false. Frowning or smiling, she is ours, constant in her "changeless change."

Mohange.

Christmas-tide is full of (8)10derness.
Christmas is indeed the holly-day.

Boston girl to Chicago girl—Expect a new mandolin in your stocking, don't you?
Chicago girl to Boston girl—And you hope to get a pencil case, if it doesn't strain the stitches in the leg.

Even the pine tree looks spruce on Christmas day.

The high shoulders on mantles are down several pegs. The newest have very moderate shoulder puffs.

In vain they cry to sensible women "skirts must touch." They don't and they won't on women of sense and cleanliness.

In Memoriam.

Now "E. F. G." is in sorrow. His cherished sister Lillian, the darling of the household, will go no more out to meet him wit liher joyous welcome home.
"One more has departed to Heaven's bright shore,
Ring the bell softly, there's crape on the door."

He recalls the time when she, a little miss of five summers, on a European trip, was the only one of the party able to be out of her state room. Taking her place at the table every meal, ordering and feeing the stewardess, to the amusement of the passengers; always receiving deference and attention from every one. As she grew to young ladyhood she was her brother's companion, sharing with him youth's bright fancies, making his sorrow her sorrow, his joy her joy. She was charming in conversation, quick in repartee, lovely in character. A frail, sweet lily transplanted to the garden of the Lord, too fair for earth. As her former home paper, the Oakland (Cal.) Tribune, says: "She was beloved by all, a gentle, kindly, sympathetic nature that instinctively drew people towards her, and many will bless her for the glimpses of sunshine which her bright face afforded them." Now she is beckoning him from yonder bright shore. Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, or hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive of the glories awaiting him there. H. A. T.
Adrian, Mich.

A Glimpse of Life in the Northwest.

If each were to write at this holiday season on their favorite theme what a variety we should have of interesting subjects. Cannot each come with some topic of interest now?

I will this morning tell you of my Sunday school in which some of you are now interested. Yesterday we had 65 present, and every face was turned to the superintendent and attention plainly written thereon: nay more—interest in the subject under discussion. View the faces if you please; none are aged, but give one an idea that it is sturdy manhood that is here to till these fertile prairies. And the number of youthful faces is a pleasant feature to contemplate. Here, too, is a field in which to labor, and what a pleasure to sow the seed in Sunday school. The features are good, refinement written on many, the garments are not fashionable, and little feet are covered with rough, hard, coarse leather. No fine coaches drive up to the door of the little schoolhouse, and no liveried coachman opens the door for dainty fairies to step out. Instead, the large lumber wagon, filled to overflowing with all the neighbors they could gather in on the way—and clothing not being very plentiful, the wagon or sleigh is filled with straw, and they huddle closely together to keep warm—and sing as they speed along. Let me describe one family as I now see them: Mr. M. came to us in a very happy frame of mind, as his mother is for the first time visiting his prairie home, and our Sunday school is our pride, so hither he must take her to show what we have done. Wife and three little ones accompany them, and proudly she is brought in and introduced to the superintendent as our mother from Michigan. The seat of honor is reserved for her, and all feel so honored by her presence—for her face bespeaks her a lovely Christian character, and she notes not the little room and plainly appareled people—but sees only a few who are trying to be taught to follow the lowly Jesus. He who was so poor and endured so much for our sakes. As they started homeward across the great stretch of prairie I stood in the door watching them. First a chair was brought out and grandmother assisted in the great wagon, where, on a comfortable spring seat a comforter was thrown, plenty of straw was under her feet, and after all were seated, the noble yoke of oxen were brought from the spot where they had been quietly grazing, and fastened to the wagon, and then quietly plodded homeward. What a change I thought it must be to this aged one who had just come from a state of such abundance. When I went to call on her, I said, you see a great change here, and told her how I watched her as she left us on that day. Yes, said she, but I am so glad to find this interest here, and that it is so firmly implanted. As for my ride after the oxen, it was something new to me, and I thought of how our Savior was born in their manger; none of us are grateful as we should be for our privileges and advantages. I see it as never before. I have learned a lesson. I will make use of what I have, if I have not great gifts to bestow, so much will not be expected of me. I have much to be thankful for, a young Miss came to me saying, I wont to be a King's Daughter, tell me how, help me to be a real one. Talk earnestly and you will be heeded. Interest yourself in them and they will know your sincerity. FERN LEAF.
Tenney, Minn.

ADMONITION.

Christmas comes but once a year,
And ever ought to bring good cheer,
As harbinger of peace to all,
The young, and old, the great and small;
Rich or poor, or far or near,
All should hold and keep it dear;
Then welcome the angel of peace who comes,
To render happier earthly homes,
And ease the pain of sorrow's smarts,
By bringing joy to saddened hearts.
Think of all the comfort and joy you can give
That will gladden your soul as long as you live;
Put the wanderer, benighted, on the right road,
And gladden sore hearts by lightening their load.
Confer little favors that will not pass away
With the swift, closing shades of the dear gala day;
If you've naught else to give, then bestow a kind word,
By which life's deepest fountains it may be stirred;
Oft Christmas is the only bright day to the poor,
When some angel of mercy brings joy to their door.

E. S. B.
Insane Asylum, Toledo.

About Shade Trees.

What is more pleasant and desirable through the heated summer months than plenty of shade. How grateful the cattle appear if they find trees in their pasture under which they rest contentedly through the long summer days, and what is more delightful to the residents of large or small towns than to have the streets well shaded. If I can have but one, trees or flowers, I say give me plenty of shade trees.

A handsome row of maple trees. A few grand ones stood near by us. The owner thought it of interest to himself to grow a hedge, and so the trees (under which so many children had played year after year) were stricken to the ground, as yet he was not contented for there was a large spreading black walnut standing in his neighbor's yard upon which he looked thinking, perhaps, that it might fall at his wish; but as it did not, he had its roots chopped off and its limbs chopped off, but the tree still stands in all its majesty. And now another monarch has fallen and upon my birthday, too, and I thought it said to me write and tell the world how the mighty has fallen, and as I thought upon it I said, I will write. I hope those who love trees will see to it and next Arbor Day set them where none will molest and that our streets may once more, as in days past and gone, be praised for their grateful shade.

J. A. WATRUS.
Canandaigua, Mich.

THE SCRAP BASKET.

It is not just as we take it,
This mystical life of ours,
Life's field will yield as we make it,
A harvest of thorns or flowers.

Children are taught more than they ever learn, and learn more than they are ever taught.

Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof; but sufficient unto a lifetime is often the evil of a single day.

Miss Mary Snow, who has been elected superintendent of schools in Bangor, Maine, is expected to run the schools more in the interests of the pupils than in that of the politicians.

Chrysanthemums.

O sweet are roses in the year's young prime,
And fair the glowing pinks of summer-time;
But what shall match the winning grace of these,
That bloom the brightest when the others freeze!

Don't pray too long in church on a cold day if your horse is standing outside in the storm without a blanket.

It is claimed that animals have no memory, but how else can you explain why the dog who has "been there" never takes the second degree at a hornet's nest.

If you have a fragrant flower
In your heart's own garden grown,
For your friend, and some glad hour
Mean to make it all her own,
Do not wait; the lilied coffin
Sees no wreath; dear heart! Learn how
Love's best blossoms may be given
Better now.

If the giving of charity is to be from the pocket, a woman is the more charitable; if it is forgiveness of sins, a man is more charitable than woman.

Children are happy because they never worry about to-morrow. You can't be young again, but you can be as happy as a child if you will adopt its plan.

Cornmeal Rolls.

One cupful of cornmeal, one cupful of flour, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one egg, two cupfuls of milk, one small teaspoonful of soda, two teaspoonfuls of cream of tartar, a little salt and a dessertspoonful of butter melted; bake in roll pans in a hot oven.

Two-thirds of the 3,000 persons employed in the Elgin watch works are women, and they are organizing.

In case of a burn where the skin is broken cover the spot as soon as possible with a thick coating of flour, preferably wheat flour; if the skin is not broken put on lime water and wrap in soft linen dipped in it. For a slight burn a coating of white of egg, if handier, of gum arabic will exclude the air, stop the smart and prevent a blister.

Mme. Patti, replying to an interviewer, declared that alcoholic stimulants of any kind tend to irritate the throat, and should be entirely abstained from by those who wish to cultivate singing.

Act with an ennobling purpose, live above thy trade;
Scorn to rate at market value souls which God has made;
Show the world no cheap abridgment of a liberal plan,
But the fair and full proportion of an honest man.
Then that generous faith thou knowest others owe to thee,
And which thou to others owest, yield in large degree.

Among the 3,000 students whose names have been enrolled at the Berlin university this term 300 are in the American music schools. Of the total number of students 800 are Americans.

One good effect of short skirts, if ever generally adopted, will be to force women to learn how to walk well. At present they shuffle, mince, turn in one foot, do everything but walk. Nothing commands more respect than dignity of carriage, always excepting elegance and dignity of speech; and when will my sex discover that feet have a higher mission than to be crowded into boots?

When we feel the narrowness of these lives of ours, each in its own small circle, we are consoled by knowing that every star must move within its limits, though space be around it.

An Offertory.

Oh, the beauty of the Christ-Child,
The gentleness, the grace,
The smiling, loving tenderness,
The infantile embrace!
All babyhood he holdeth,
All motherhood enfoldeth,—
Yet who hath seen his face?

Oh, the nearness of the Christ-Child,
When for a sacred space,
He nestles in our very homes,—
Light of the human race!
We know him and we love him,
No man to us need prove him,—
Yet who hath seen his face?

We are told that the tobacco habit is growing among women, and the cigarette evil is assuming alarming proportion among boys. What is to be done? Is man the only animal which can use tobacco with impunity and beneficial results? In apologizing for its use among men, a great mistake has been made. It was declared to be an aid to digestion, a quieter of nerves, a necessity to the business and professional man, and a comforter when all things else failed. Then why should not women with broken nerves and downcast spirits, by the same token, be cheered and uplifted? When she gets so she can "spit" scientifically, the sight of disgusting expectorations and quids everywhere, on sidewalks and in public places will not make her "gag" as it does now. Of the cigarette habit, a Cincinnati paper says, "It is hard to convince boys that a common and open practice among men is wickedness."

The Masculine Shopper.

There is one holiday figure which nobody seems able or willing to adequately pity—a thing of abject helplessness.

This is the man who is importuned by his wife or lady friend to go the round of the big stores and aid in making purchases.

There he stands—the man who but yesterday may have swayed courts, stock exchanges or the great public with tongue or pen. Jostled here and there by the moving throng of lady shoppers, this semi-rattled failure tries to feel that he is at home, but cannot.

Summoned to give an intelligent judgment upon his wife's selections, he smiles at everything alike and says he likes it, while all the time it is plain to see that the one thing he would most like is to get out.

Impressed into a strange garret, this vaunted champion of male supremacy is literally nowhere. He tries to seem amused at the rattling globes above his head hurrying to and from the cash boxes, but it is all in vain.—Boston Globe.

A Sequence.

We were married—she and I
In the spring:
Said she, as we settled down
In our cottage in the town,
"Love, we now begin life's reign,
And of this our small domain
You are king."

And a happier man than I
Ne'er was seen,
And the future seemed to be
Ever full of bliss for me,
As I told my fairy wife,
"Of my fortune and my life
You are queen."

Then her mother in our home
Took her place.
And this life became to me
Full of woes and misery.
Though I dared not raise a fuss,
From the day she came to us
She was ace.

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(Last verse as corrected.)

Then her mother to our home
Was summoned quick.
And this life became to me
From all care and worry free,
For she nursed the children's ills
And she paid the little bills,
But she never took a trick.

Tea Table Talk.

Perhaps you read it—about the boy in Saddle River, N. J., who choked to death on a nut shuck. I rarely see anything of the kind that I don't repeat it as a warning to other children and their parents. What happened to this boy would be so likely to happen to any thoughtless child. He was running and playing and cracking hickory nuts with his teeth at the same time. A shuck went down his throat and choked him to death, before assistance could reach him. Children should be taught and should remember, what teeth and stomachs are made for. It is astonishing to be told that half the misery in the world is caused by this kind of recklessness. See what stuff men and women pour and crowd into their stomachs.

Marie Roze knows how to sing, and when she tells, through a literary friend or other medium, "what a singer may eat," ambitious ones should listen:

Pastry, nuts, almonds, raisins, pickles, rich sauces are simply poison to a singer. All these are indigestible, and a singer, above all people, should partake of only that class of food which digests easily. Never eat closer than two hours before you sing. I go further: if I sing at 8 o'clock, I eat at 4 in the afternoon. As regards fluids, all are harmful if taken in immoderate quantities. Milk is good, but it is best when mixed with soda-water or seltzer. Wines of any kind are injurious, and I cannot be too emphatic in warning all girls who aspire to be singers to abstain from them. I have known some of the most promising voices to be utterly ruined by even the smallest indulgence in wine. Fresh and ripe fruit always makes a good diet for a singer, especially grapes.

The voice is regulated by the health of its possessor, and just as she takes care of that or neglects it she makes a success or failure. A good voice cannot come from an unhealthy constitution. If ever two things were inseparable, they are good health and a good voice. With the former, the latter is possible; without it, vocal excellence is impossible.

The writers of startling things for print should keep on the side of plausibility. Hear this:

The little ten-year-old queen of Holland gains an experimental knowledge of domestic details at her own little farm near the royal castle at Het Loo. Here she has her poultry-yard, whose inmates she feeds herself, and her garden, where she has done all the planting and cultivating, and from which she gathers the flowers she arranges for her mother's apartments. In the house is the kitchen, where the little queen learns to make tarts, and there is a drawing-room where she and her dolls hold high carnival.

Think of a ten-year-old girl running a farm, poultry yard and bakery what time she isn't playing with her dolls! The scribbler who started the item on its rounds should be—sat upon.

The first work taken up by the New Orleans Woman's club, this season, is the forming of a calesthetic class, designed especially for teachers.

A man writer, a little time ago, called attention to this failure in women to catch the true club idea. They always connect some useful and missionary purpose with their organizations. Men's clubs provide only for luxurious creature indulgence. This bit of sarcasm holds a great deal of meaning. Women harry themselves to death about the reforms needed in the world and men—let them do it.

An eastern paper tells about an old clothes broker— a woman who disposes of the garments of fashionable women and calls it "an idea from the 400," as if it were a new idea. Western cities have long availed themselves of this assistance, and unfashionable women, even, dispose of outgrown or, to them, undesirable garments for what they will bring. The industry is not a growing one, for most women give their spare garments to needy persons.

Mrs. Burton Harrison is "in" New York society. She writes very clever, sarcastic novels, dealing with the same. In a recent magazine paper she deprecates the money glare that attaches to everything metropolitan. Two men whom she doesn't call by name enjoy revenues from estates amounting to $150,000,000 each. Those ranging on down to thirty, twenty and ten millions are too numerous to mention, while simple millionaires "are quite common cattle on our streets." To quote further: Entire columns of small print are devoted to the jeweled crowns, the strings of black pearls and threaded diamonds bought from the sales of royalty deposed or deceased; the dinner-services of gold and porcelain; the forests of orchids, the curtains and table-cloths of priceless lace, the town-houses, the country-houses, the equipages and the yachts with boudoirs fitted in white and gold and silken broideries that would have seemed impossible save to the fevered imagination of a writer of corsair romances twenty years ago. As a keen commentor on American character has recently observed: "When the material rewards of success are so great, the American mind has no choice but to brood on them." This discussion of wealth has, to all appearance, indeed, become our crowning reproach among other nations, who declare that while money rules the world, we alone make no pretense at veiling ur worship of plutocracy.

Does it occur to you, gentle reader, that these gluttonous individuals possibly have a great deal that rightfully belongs to somebody else? And does it, also, occur to you what a deal of happiness there is outside their shining show?

Boston has a new object of veneration; it is Maragret Fuller's pincushion—a stuffed square of dark brown velvet, trimmed with black lace. Margaret made it with her own hands and presented it to a friend, just before she started on that journey of joy and tragedy across the sea, forty-four years ago. If you have forgotten the wonderful woman that Margaret was, go read about it in the encyclopedia. Across the sea, in her hospital work, in Italy, she met Count d'Ossoli, and became his bride. Returning after a couple years' residence in her husband's country, the vessel which bore its precious freight, went to wreck on Fire Island, almost home, and Margaret and her husband and infant son went to the bottom of the sea. Perhaps you have seen the block of memorial granite for her in Mt. Auburn.

Chat.

Many Householders who have been privileged to help Fern Leaf in her mission work in the pioneer fields of the northwest, will read her letter, published to-day, with deep interest. She did not know that, as she wrote, a Christmas box of clothing and various other needful articles was speeding towards her from warm hearts in Toledo. She has had sorry discouragements and also blessed erwards. The Household has been the means of drawing many hearts into closer communion, not only for congenial enjoyment, but for the furtherance of good work. Your hostess knows of some to whom rays of sunlight have come, by virtue of the thoughtfulness of our Florida member who has sent her little souvenirs all over the United States. And a letter of heartfelt thanks from E. S. B. for the book and letter sent her by Zenobia, is on the study table. It is indeed blessed to give, if only of kind words as E. S. B. says in her rhymes.

"Johnie W." a contributor to our Children's department, will be remembered and his thoughtful plea for the trees be read with thankfulness. If our boys who are to become so soon, our men, grow up with this commendable spirit, a brighter day is promised this beautiful country. It may be recalled that Johnie is the boy who lost an arm last Independence day while patriotically firing the cannon for freedom's celebration. It was his right arm, but Johnie is left handed.

The tender sympathy of the Household will go out to E. F. G., who has put so many bright fancies into graceful verse for us. Behind the clouds there is always the sun shining. The gentle eyes that close upon earth's trials to-day are saved the pain and suffering that to-omrrow might bring to them. Yet earth hath need of its hopeful, helpful, bright young lives, and it is hard to be reconciled to their passing into the darkness where our blind and yearning love may follow them, but find no response. Time only is the healer of such deep wounds, and even under its treatment there are scars. Yet, with the sweet faith that upbears every soul in its sorrow, may peace come to our friend, E. F. G., and those who mourn with him.

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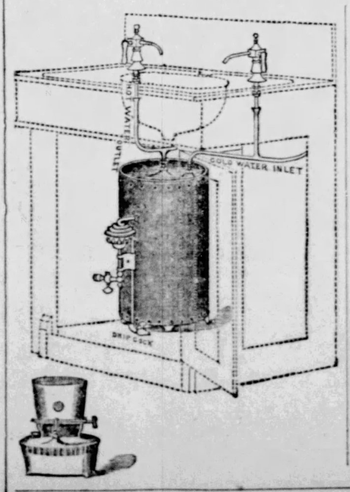

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Notwithstanding the many detrimental obstacles that the retail merchant has met with during the season just closing, such as warm weather when it should be cold, and cold when it should have been warm, the retail business shows an enormous increase. Much of this, of course, is due to the gradual increase in population, but the greater part of it is due to the general good times that have prevailed in labor circles. When work is plentiful money is plentiful, and the retail merchant prospers.

It will be noticed from the following brief talks with prominent representatives of the retail trade in Toledo that the customary glittering assertions relative to an enormous increase in business is altogether lacking. Where heavy increases are claimed, facts and figures are given to substantiate these claims. Of course it was out of the question to see or interview all. Of those seen some were too busy to do much talking and others did not seemingly care to "blow their own horn," as some were pleased to call it.

The Dry Goods Business.

Beginning at the upper business end of Summit street, Connolly Bros. are the first to be visited. The crowded store shows the business that they are doing. "Indeed, we have no reason to complain," said Mr. John Connolly, rubbing his hands complacently. "We have done an unusually good business, particularly in our cloak department. In notions and dress goods our sales have increased wonderfully. Our only trouble is lack of room, and we propose, just as soon after the holidays as possible, to remodel the second story of this building and change it into a salesroom. Altogether we are well pleased with the season's business."

Neuhauser Bros.—Mr. John Neuhauser was very well pleased with the results of the season's business. "Our business has increased," he said, "over last year by over $30,000. Of course the enlargement of our store and the consequent increase in facilities had something to do with this. All the departments have been enlarged more or less and our carpets, now occupying the entire upper floor, and the drapery—trebled in size—has more than doubled the business in those departments. Our holiday trade, considering the mild weather, is better than we anticipated. October and November gave us the largest increase we ever had. Our dress goods department has largely increased its sales, owing to the fact that besides enlarging the department we handle a finer and better grade of goods."

Lasalle & Koch have nothing to complain of in the way of business. "Trade has been good," said Manager Shaw, "and for a season that has not been as cold as we could have wished, still we sold an immense number of the heavier grades of cloaks. In every department we have been obliged to put additional help, and to-day—although it has been raining since early morning—you can see the crowded condition of our stores. Altogether we consider '91 as one of the best years we have ever had."

Lamson Bros.—J. G. Lamson: "Oh, we have all we can do, and we have not found the customary dull intermediate term between the seasons. Of course, everyone is doing a good business during the whole season, but I can truthfully say every month this year shows a largely increased gain over corresponding months of last year."

Lamson Bros., it may be remarked, have as efficient a corps of clerks as any dry goods store in the country, and not a little of the success achieved by the firm is due to this fact.

Lion Dry Goods Company—Mr. Curtis, the hustling writer of the able advertisements issued by the firm, simply showed the reporter through the storerooms as an evidence of the business. It is no easy matter to crowd ones way through the throngs that surround every counter. From the silk counter to the glassware counters in the basement there are busy crowds of customers and clerks. "Yes, business has been very good," said Mr. Curtis, "and the prospects for a continuance are very bright."

Robert McElroy & Co.—One of the most enterprising stores on Summit street is McElroy's. In speaking to Mr. Thompson, his courteous manager, to whom is largely due the remarkable success and popularity of this house, he said that "for the past two years their business has more than doubled in volume, besides is daily increasing, so much so that their present large and commodious store is scarcely adequate for their present needs. Their display of handkerchiefs, gloves and Christmas novelties is decidedly unique and characteristic of taste and judgment. The same superior taste in display is evidenced in every other department. It would look as if those undecided as to what useful Christmas present they should buy their friends will find little difficulty in making up their minds after a walk through this model dry goods store.

Mr. Thompson is fortunate in his selection of assistants, and a more cheerful, enthusiastic and competent combination of sales people would be hard to find anywhere. While not a technical judge of values, certainly from appearance of the counters crowded with customers, one concludes that success is always attained through merit alone.

Retail Clothing Trade.

Mr. J. N. Mockett—"Of course I suppose you will find it the same old story—business is booming. Well, business has been unusually good. You take it in our gents' furnishing and children's departments and our sales have increased fully 50 per cent. When I first came to Toledo the ready-made garment was a poor affair. Then the best ready-made overcoat sold for about $15. To-day we handle the finest grades of goods in the market, and sell overcoats as high as $50. Notwithstanding the somewhat backward weather our business all over the house is away ahead of last year."

J. L. & J. R. Hudson & Co., judging by the crowded storerooms, are doing a splendid business. "Trade has been very good with us," responded the genial manager in response to a Bee's query. "All our departments show a marked increase, and the year as a whole has been very successful." Hudson & Co. have added a boot and shoe department, in which largely increased sales have been made.

Fred Eversman: "Trade is good. Of course I cannot compare my business with former years as this is my first year in business. I have been, I am glad to say, pleasantly disappointed in my business so far. It so far exceeds my expectations that I am afraid I will have to get more room. You see, as we are, we are crowded. Yes, business is good with me and, as a rule, you know, the first year's business is not as good as the second or third."

Melvin & Co.—Mr. James Melvin: "Business? Why, it is and has been good all this year. There is no other city, perhaps, where there has been more work going on during the summer than here in Toledo and the merchants, of course, get their share of the benefits. Every department shows an increase of business over last year. In some departments the increase is away up over any other year. The prospects for a continuation of these good times seems to me to be excellent."

A. Machen & Co., merchant tailoring—"The year just closing has been a most satisfactory one with us. Our trade has been greater than ever before notwithstanding the bad weather. The outlook for prosperous business during the coming year is also very encouraging."

Broer & Schluter, South St. Clair street—"We have had a howling business, and have erected, during the year the fine building which we now occupy. We look for a good year the coming twelve months."

The "Misfit" clothing parlors on the corner of Madison and Superior streets report a fair business since having located in the city. They are satisfied and intend to stay.

Mr. Rosenthal, the manager of the Hyman Co., clothing and cloaks—"Our business is a new thing here but we have had good trade and are glad we came."

"We have done more business this year than any one year since we have been in Toledo," said J. S. Hattenbach, of Nelson & Hattenbach, "and I don't believe we ever sold so many overcoats before. People, as a rule, are buying the best and seem to save plenty of money and want the best. We are perfectly satisfied with the year."

"Our business has been all that we could ask," said Myer Hattenbach of the "When" clothing store. "People have been buying a better quality of goods than ever before. Our trade has increased to such an extent that we were compelled to enlarge the capacity of our store and we added another room, giving us just double capacity. This, of course, would require more stock, and we have placed new stock that will amount to over $25,000. In the spring we intend to remodel the whole store and make general improvements."

The Boot and Shoe Trade.

The season has been somewhat against the retail boot and shoe merchants. The weather has been too fine to have much of a demand, but notwithstanding this admitted fact, the retail merchants have done a prosperous business. The fact that every year fewer shoes are made to order may have something to do with it, and then the city is growing and the population increasing. A visit to a few of the retail boot and shoe stores found them all busy and all evidently prospering.

Reinhart & Murphy—Mr. Reinhart said: "Our sales so far this year show an increase of $8,000 over the same period last year. You can see for yourself the rush of business we have." The store was crowded with customers, and the enterprising young proprietors had no time to talk trade.

L. Strasburger, Summit street, whose show windows are full of very handsome lines of fancy slippers and the like, designed for Christmas gifts, was also happy over the result of his year's labors: "The season," he said, "has been a good one, and I look for a continuation of it. As long as a house sells good goods at a cheap price it is bound to do a good business. Yes, we are doing an excellent trade in fancy slippers and novelties just now. Our stock is very complete, and then the prices are right. This is what counts."

J. C. Prosser, of J. C. Prosser & Co., Summit street, when asked by a Bee how the season's business had been, replied it showed a great increase over either of the previous two years which he has been in business. "There has been a substantial gain every month," he said, "and I am very well pleased with the year's trade, and now we are having a rush in medium priced novelties and we are doing a large business in general holiday goods."

H. S. Comstock: "Trade has been unusually good all season and just now business is rushing. Yes, our sales show a very satisfactory increase over former years."

S. W. Nettleton: "I have found," said he, "that my sales show a large increase every month this year over the sales of corresponding months last year—except two. There were two months where our sales showed no increase, but the average pleases me first-rate. I am making a specialty in fine work for both ladies and gentlemen, and I find that it pays to keep the best goods."

The Furniture Men.

Toledo is rapidly coming to the front as a furniture center. The Ketcham, Stevens, Conant, Bartlett, and Stollberg & Parks are among the first furniture manufacturers in the state, and all of these concerns report excellent business the past year, and the orders ahead show that the rush will remain at least for some time.

Conant Bros'. Furniture Co.—"Our sales show a large increase over any previous year. In our mantel department the orders are away ahead, and it keeps us hustling to come near supplying the demand. The factory is crowded with orders, and one particularly for a Kansas court house keeps all hands busy. We also have large contracts for New York, Kentucky and Mississippi."

The Ketcham Furniture company is also doing a largely increased business. The contracts on the books, particularly for government work, are keeping the men working all the time. The sales for the year show a large increase.

B. A. Stevens & Co.—The increase in business of the firm has been so great that it has been found necessary to enlarge the capacity of the factory, and a handsome addition is in process of erection. This year's sales are the largest in the history of the establishment.

Mr Bartlett—"This is the first year's business in our new building," said M. Bartlett, furniture dealer on Jefferson street, "and I find a most gratifying increase over any year on Summit street. We have a greater demand for the fine grades of furniture, and are carrying a much larger and finer stock than ever, including all the latest designs and patterns. People are beginning to plan their own furniture, and, as we are among the leaders in Toledo, of course we keep up with the times and are prepared to gratify the slightest whim of the most fastidious. This is apparent in the fact that we have been compelled to increase the force in our upholstering department. Another point in this regard is that we have been compelled to work nights in this department this year for the first time in ten years. We are now working 14 hours a day and are not able to keep up with the orders. Another thing, we give the trade the benefit of the rent which we save in our own building."

Books and Stationery.

Every year the book stores of the city show a larger variety and better class of productions. It is really wonderful the remarkable display made this year by Brown, Eager & Hull. He or she would indeed be hard to please in the selection of a Christmas gift who could not find the suitable thing in that store. There is not, perhaps, in any city between New York and Chicago a finer, larger or more variegated display of handsome ornaments, rare books and excellent magazines than at Brown, Eager & Hull's.

"Business has been very good with us," said Mr. Brown. "Our stock is the largest and most complete we have ever presented to the good people of Toledo, and Toledo evidently appreciates the efforts we have made to give them the latest and best in every line we handle." The store is crowded all the time, and business seems to be rushing.

F. R. Frey & Co.—"Our trade has been fair the past year and is improving. We are having a fine holiday trade and feel well pleased with the future outlook. We think that for news, stationery and wall paper we can suit most any taste, and cordially invite the public to give us a call.

Among the many enterprising firms on Summit street, which deserve mention, is Nicholas & Buchanan, both young men, enterprising, widewake, and through former experience, well posted in all branches of their business. In the several departments of their store the chief one is the book department. During the two years of their business life they have united their intelligence and good taste in a selected stock of the most desirable and valuable books, and are working daily to bring before the notice of the reading public of Toledo the newest literary productions as well as the best editions of all standard books. In addition to these, they have constantly on hand all the latest magazines and papers. In the stationery department they carry a full line of the finest writing papers, and keep posted on all the latest fads in note and regret papers, dinner cards, favors, calling cards, etc. Last, but not least, their wall paper department deserves mention. Selected with the best of care, with the utmost good taste, from the best makers in the country, it stands as an evidence of their appreciation of the wants of the public and successful endeavor to minister to those wants. At the head of this department is Joseph W. Howells, well-known in Toledo as an interior decorator of undoubted experience and taste. Many other features combine to make their store one of the most pleasant and attractive on the street, and it is evident from present appearances that they have the nucleus of a large and prosperous business.

The Music Dealers.

The Whitney & Currier company—In speaking of the past year's business a member of this old and enterprising music house, said: "In taking the year as a whole the business has been quite satisfactory. In Chicago and other cities, however, reports show dull business in the piano line—especially during the last few months. Our house is fortunately situated in this, we have sold the same old reliable makes of high grade instruments so long that buyers feel acquainted with them and buy them without hesitation in preference to new and untried makes. Then the public know just where to find us. I tell you these things count with a discriminating purchaser."

In answer to the question whether high or low grade pianos sold in the greater number, the gentleman said:

"Trade varies according to season in this respect. Such standard and well known makes as Steinway and Boardman & Gray pianos have a steady sale, yet we handle a large number of the medium priced instruments, ranging from $225 to $350, and their sale is steadily increasing."

Do cheap pianos wear well in this climate?

"There is a vast difference between low priced and cheap pianos, in many instances some cheap pianos may prove very expensive, being shoddy in make, and consequently short lived. Having been manufacturers, we examine all points of construction with the greatest care, and in consequence carry a line of very fine pianos at the prices above named, viz.: $225 to $350."

In response to the question whether the outlook in future was good, he said:

"I expect to see quite a flurry in piano circles during the next six months. One manufacturer has just gone to the wall, and others are liable to follow. While this will in no wise effect the retail trade, yet the election of a president next year will do so, to considerable extent, and, therefore, the outlook for next year is not the brightest for any line of business."

J. W. Greene & Co.—Among the business houses of the city there are few, if any, who have grown into prominence more rapidly than has the music house of J. W. Greene & Co. In May, 1876, this house commenced business in this city, occupying one-half of store room, No. 177 Summit street. At the close of the second year the business had so grown their room and new quarters were secured by leasing the whole of the store No. 153 (now occupied by J. J. Freeman). Business continued to increase until the fall of 1881, at which time still more room was needed and the second floors over Wachter Bros.' double stores, 40 by 120 feet, were leased for a term of five years. Business still continued to increase, and at the end of their five years lease, larger and more convenient quarters were found in the three-story and basement building on the corner of Summit and Madison streets. It was then thought that room enough had been secured to suffice for many years; yet at the end of five years still more room was required, and not being able to obtain additional room adjoining, a new location was sought and found in the elegant new Pythian Castle, corner of Jefferson and Ontario streets. Having leased the whole of the three stores and basement of this building, containing more than 12,000 square feet of space, it is safe to say that Messrs. Greene & Co. have one of the finest and most convenient music rooms west of New York City. Business at the new location has been good, and it has been proven beyond a doubt that it is not absolutely necessary to pay the exhorbitant rents asked for Summit street property in order to do business. It will repay readers of the Bee to pay a visit to this enterprising firm when desiring anything in their line. A fine selection of the oldest and most reliable makes of pianos and organs, as well as the world famous Standard Sewing Machine, can always be found in stock.

C. J. Wooley—"We have had a very satisfactory trade the past year in fine instruments of the highest grade. We have taken the agency for the celebrated Wilcox & White parlor and self-playing symphony organs, a new departure in parlor instruments. We handle a strictly reliable stock and anticipate future success by doing a clean, honorable business, built upon the solid foundation of friendship and esteem of each of our patrons."

W. H. Parmenter—"Each year improves 50 per cent. over the last one. The store has been improved during the past year by placing one of the finest wall cases that could be found, on one side of it, which protects the fine grade of instruments. The guitar, mandolin and banjo lead the van in string instruments, at the present time."

Ign. Fischer—"I have been in business in Toledo since '76; for six years I printed music and nearly half of my life has been devoted to this kind of work. It requires a great deal of experience to become competent in my kind of business, and like everything else; the more we study it, apparently, the less we know. We are expected to aid the teacher in selecting music for the pupil, and we must, therefore, understand music to some extent. I have had as much or more experience in publishing music than any one in the city, and try to be conscientious in my dealings. I must say that trashy songs take the lead just now, and there is more money in them than in classical music. In the past year I have added 150 book folios to my already large stock. I have added a few selections to my list of publications. The most popular sheet of music that I have now is, 'Come Unto Me,' a sacred solo, the words by the late D. R. Locke, and the music by W. A. Ogden, copyrighted in 1891 by Ignaz Fischer. I will circulate 5,000 or 6,000 copies of this hymn next January."

Among the Jewelers.

J. J. Freeman—Trade is good, way ahead of last year, owing to the increased lines of goods we are carrying. We buy the best goods and that suits the people. I am well satisfied with the past year.

Wm. Walcot—We have had a very prosperous year, and are well pleased with the results.

J. G. Kapp—"We cap the climax. The year has been a successful one and we anticipate a booming business. Toledo people appreciate a fine grade of goods and we are ever ready and willing to please our patrons."

J. Frame—Business is good. I work all the year around and am happy. Toledo grows better every year.

Roulet & Baker—The past year has been the best we have ever had, in both sales and work.

W. E. Cawood—Our business has increased over last year; there seems to be a demand for finer goods every season and we have a carefully selected stock. We employ only skilled workmen in each department, thus giving our customers entire satisfaction. It was only a few years ago that I started without a dollar to purchase goods, but my stock will now foot up into the thousands. This shows what enterprise and push will do in Toledo. I have entire faith in the Future Great, and intend in the near future, to build a fine home for my family.

M. Judd—Business has been fairly good during the past year. We are carrying a large stock carefully successfully. My work as a special optician, has been appreciated.

J. Prochaska—This has been a prosperous season. Our present quarters are too small for us, and we expect an increase of business next year if we can find a larger store in a desirable location.

J. Sherman—Business has been fair during the past year. I have been in Toledo 23 years, and although I am on the wholesale side of Summit street, the general public and my friends do not forget me. I have no reason to complain.

John Zurfluh—Business has been fair during the past year. Nothing to brag of, yet I am well satisfied.

Roeller & Armstrong—Our business during the last year has been very satisfactory, and far in advance of any season since our establishment, 16 years ago. We are doing more in the diamond and badge trade than ever before and feel that our efforts are being appreciated by the public. I could say much more, but we are rushed with orders at the present time and I must give my entire attention to my work."

J. W. Flowers—Business has been very good the past year, with largely increased sales in holiday business. Have a larger stock than ever. I have just received the contract for High school badge, which I also made the last year. Our manufacturing department is growing. Watch and diamond clubs is a good feature and is growing rapidly. Adams street is the coming street for retail business and I intend to stay.

Flint & Hormel—"We have had a fair year, have doubled our stock and anticipate an increase in business."

C. B. Bargman—"I am well satisfied with my location. This has been a prosperous year and business is increasing."

C. P. Eels—"Very well satisfied with the business of the past year. Patrons have been liberal in their dealings, and I expect that the coming year will add largely to my trade in sales as well as repairs."

Merchants Here and There.

"The close of the season does not seem to effect our business," remarked Mr. W. P. Firth of the Central Chandelier company, "and while eastern manufacturers have been working three-quarter time, our hands have made full time, with every indication that it will continue over the usual dull season. Unfortunately a fire in our foundry and polishing departments seriously affected our business during the months of July and August, but on rebuilding were enable to enlarge these departments, as with our old facilities we could not have handled the rapid increase of our business. We have about reached the limit of increase in our present quarters, with every indication that during the coming year we shall be compelled to seek a larger building. Our wholesale trade has extended from Philadelphia to the Pacific slope, and south, while our retail business has brought to Toledo many strangers from surrounding cities and towns of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, including Detroit and Cincinnati. We are now making the finest original designs ever made in the city, and completing expensive patterns for the manufacture of staple gas fittings and brackets, which during the coming year must nearly double our present business."

Harley—"Our trade in the better class of goods has been exceptionally good the past year; the lower priced goods are not in it. Our sales are way ahead of last year and we are satisfied. We employ on the average of 40 people at our fur factory and expect to increase our manufacturing business the coming year."

R. G. Bacon, hardware and stoves—"As to our class of trade in general this year has been an off one. I attribute it to the financial troubles of November, 1890. These made people shy and not so much building has been done. Our trade, however, has been good. This fall when people saw that good crops were assured they commenced preparing to build and a large number of houses were started, to be completed during the winter. Now money is plenty and I believe that next year will be the best business year the country has seen for 10 years, notwithstanding the fact that it is a presidential year."

The volume of our business has materially increased "during 1891," said H. T. Sinclair, of Berdan & Co., wholesale grocery dealers. "Collections have been very good, and money fairly easy. Business has not been just what early indications promised. All jobbers, when they made note of the big crops all over the country, anticipated a big boom in all business this winter. I have no doubt but what it will come later on. The farmers have been handicapped by bad roads and an open winter. Then there has never been a year when freights cars were so scarce, and big blockades occured at so many different points over the country. The railroads all over the country seem to be choked up. I believe when the ground gets frozen up and we have a few weeks' real winter weather that business in every branch will boom."

V. B. Snyder & Son—"We have had a fair year. Our rule is to keep first-class goods and do a square business. Carpets and draperies are something that everybody buys to a greater or less extent and have had our share of trade."

Neel & Fluke, Trunks—"We have had a better trade than we had last year, and are well pleased for the outlook in the future. We are catering to the finer class of trade, and have recently added a stock of dainty celluloid goods in connection with our other business, and handle both Jobbing and retail trade in that line. We expect to enlarge our quarters very soon, as our stock demands it. We are manufacturing fine sample trunks and cases as a specialty, and are western agents for the steel-lined leatheroid trunks. We have been located in Toledo for five years and are well pleased with our business in that line."

Draper & Nugent, furniture and house furnishings—"Business in general during the past year has not been on the boom but we have had good trade, considerably increased over that of previous years and are satisfied. During the year we doubled the size of our store and increased our stock accordingly. We also intend to again enlarge our store if we can get the room. Proposals for next years' business are exceedingly good."

Mr. Shunk, of Shunk & Hillencamp, hardware—"Business this year was good and something ahead of last year. The warm weather has affected the winter trade, but we are not complaining."

A. R. Sisson, manager Sterling & Co.—"We have had a good big trade the past year and are well satisfied. We have had our store remodeled and redecorated, and we anticipate a good trade the coming year. Our stock of goods is unequaled. The public are invited to call on us. Everybody loves us when they know us."

Mrs. Snider.—"We are delighted with our year's work. We have always been well treated in Toledo and appreciate the patronage which we have received. We have been located in Toledo for 23 years and have had our green house, where it now stands, for 22 years. Since Mr. Snider's death, in 1881, I have run the business, and successfully. Mr. Ewald Suder is a devoted florist and is always glad to see his many friends at the green house. From Oct. 8 to Dec. 12 we cut 7,000 roses and 6,000 carnations. We have a good outside trade as well as city. We are grateful to the many who have favored us from time to time with orders for various occasions, and thank the Bee for kindness shown."

Hood Bros. Co., bibles, albums and household specialties.—"Our trade has been satisfactory, an increase of about one-third over the previous year, 1890. Collections during the middle months were below the average. However, for the past two months there is quite an improvement. Our cash sales have been much larger than any previous year. As much of our trade is on the easy-payment plan, this indicates a better state of affairs among our patrons generally. The prospects bid fair for a large holiday trade."

Eggeman & Dugnid, trunks and traveling bags.—"Our business has been very satisfactory the past year, in both the wholesale and retail trade. During the year we have opened one of the finest retail trunk stores in the United States. We have also obtained two letters granting patents for improvements in wall trunks. The demand for this particular style has been so great that we were not able to fill orders. We shall increase our manufacturing facilities in order to meet future demands. Our goods are sold in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, West Virginia and Kentucky."

E. P. Leland—"We are well satisfied with the past years' work. We have put in a full line of art materials, besides making our store headquarters for fine wall paper, framing and art pictures. Superior street is a good street for our business, and we anticipate a growing trade."

Allen & Parkhurst—"Business is and has been good. We are doing work for the best families in Toledo and are giving satisfaction. We will re-decorate our store in the near future, and as we are crowded for room, we will build an addition to our present store. The year has been prosperous and we are happy. We have engaged a sign artist of Chicago who will be here next week, and we will be better prepared than ever to do sign work. Our outside business is excellent. We do work in Lima, Fremont, Canton, and many places.

"The year with us? "Well," said Mr. Hassenzahl in reply to a Bee, "it has been better than we expected. And we expected a great deal. Instead of being crowded in a building not really large enough for our wants, we had moved into a store splendidly adapted to all our requirements. Glance about you; standing here at the office you seem surprised to think that it is an entire block to the front door. This entire room—one of the largest single salesrooms in the state—is devoted to displaying retail goods, the one above is used as a wholesale sample room and the one above that is filled with shelf stock and the one above that with full packages, while the heavier goods are carried in the basement. We were confident that these improved facilities for taking care of goods would considerably increase the volume of our trade. But that has not been the only result. The increase in trade has encouraged us to carry finer, richer goods, and our fortunate selections in these have given us a solid reputation of really being the leading house in our line. And that, my dear sir, is much, very much. When people think that the oldest house is also the largest and most progressive it is a gratifying result of this dealer's efforts. While I was at the head of the firm of Hassenzahl & Daudt we did a good business. This year in my present establishment I find an increase over the best year of that time. Now that is a fair showing, is it not? On all, I am well pleased with the past year's results, and as there is always room for improvement, look forward to a still better year in '92."

In the hardware line the young and enterprising firm of The Whitaker & Kirk Hardware Co. report a prosperous business. This firm, although new in the trade, are getting a fair share of the business. In builders' hardware their business has been most satisfactory; they are exclusive agents for the celebrated "Yale & Towne" hardware, and also for the Mallory-Wheeler Co. They have furnished the trimmings for a number of fine residences in this city and also in some of our enterprising suburbs. This firm carry a complete line of house furnishings and are doing nicely in that line. The ladies can always find the newest and best goods nicely displayed at this store. They report favorably on the Jobbing trade, and say that their success has been beyond their anticipations.

Briggs & Leibius—"Our sales the past year have been 20 per cent. larger than any previous year. Our outside trade has increased, and we think that it is due in a measure to our having advertised in the Century, Cosmopolitan, Harper's and other magazines, which have given us notoriety and helped us generally. We have not felt any time during the year that trade was dull. Our complete line of draperies take well. We are ever ready to grasp the new ideas and are right in line with all the latest novelties out. We are leaders in our kind of business and invite the general public to give us a call and spend a few moments in our 'nook,' which is a new feature in our store."

Hillebrand, South St. Clair street—"We have had a good trade since last April, when we moved into our present new quarters. It has been a bad year with many, but our trade has steadily increased and we are well pleased."

Clarence E. Armstrong, of Armstrong & Clarke—"Our business for the past year has been immense. We have only been in existence three years, but our trade has been away beyond expectations. It is all cash business, and that is what pays. During the year we have greatly enlarged our store and our stock and expect the business to continue."

Chapman Hardware Company—"In the general hardware trade the business of the year has been fair, just about holding the average, but with our line of specialties and especially bicycles the business has been very heavy. The wheel business as yet is in its infancy, but it is growing and is bound to increase. We have just ordered over $20,000 worth of bicycles for next year and intend to push the trade."

Verrel & Fisher—"Our trade for 1891 has nearly doubled that of 1890. We expect a better and larger trade next year. Our location is central, and one of the best in the city. Our trade in the outside towns is very large."

FR. UNCLES ORDAINED.

An Event in Catholic Circles in Baltimore.

A Large Crowd Witness the Ordination of the First Colored Man to Be Made a Priest in This Country.

Baltimore, Dec. 19.—The cathedral of St. Peter and Paul was crowded this morning with representatives of the Catholic clergy and laity, who had assembled to witness the ordination of the first colored man to be raised to the Catholic priesthood in the United States.

His eminence, Cardinal Gibbons, officiated, and the ceremony of ordination was preceded by the celebration of solemn high mass.

The name of the new priest is Charles R. Uncles, and he is a light colored quadroon. He was born in this city 30 years ago. He will say his first mass on Christmas morning, and early in the new year he will be assigned to special work among his race. There is one other colored priest in this country, a resident of Chicago, but he was raised and educated to the dignity at Rome.

SENSIBLE GIFTS.

A pair of Blankets or a nice Wool Skirt, a Bed Spread, a nice Linen Table Cloth or a dozen napkins, a Tray Cloth, a Chenille Table Cover, a silence cloth to put under the table linen, or a pair of towels, and many other useful and pretty things to be found in our linen section.

LAMSON BROS.

WAS MARKED FOR DEATH.

An Old Man Shot by the Enemies He Had Made.

He Turned State's Evidence and Convicted a Number of Moonshiners for Which His Death Was Decreed.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 19.—Near Edwardsville, Cleburne county, Lafayette Anderson, an old man, was shot and killed by an unknown assassin at his home at a late hour last night.

Anderson, who was an old moonshiner, was arrested about a year ago. He turned state's evidence and caused the conviction of a dozen moonshiners. One of them is supposed to have committed the crime.

The assassin used a shotgun, which was fired through a window into Anderson's bedroom, blowing his head off.

The United States marshal has put a large force of officers at work on the case.

BUY SEAL GARMENTS | And Fur Trimmed Jackets, elegant Fur Capes, fine Plush Coats At LASALLE & KOCH'S.

OUR VOICE IS FOR WAR.

Uncle Sam is Oiling Up His Musket

And May Take a Crack or Two at Chili.

The Navy Department Making Arrangements to Charter Merchant Boats to be Used in the Event of Serious Trouble.

Washington, Dec. 19.—(Special)—Active preparations for war still continue in the navy department. Steps have now been taken to secure the most available vessels in the merchant marine for possible service in Chilian waters.

Arrangements have been made in New York and San Francisco to charter, if necessary, from thirty to fifty vessels to be used as transports and colliers. Preparations so far as the regular naval vessels were concerned having been made as complete as possible, the bureau of naval intelligence, acting under instructions, has prepared a list of merchant vessels available in case war is declared.

An offer from a New York ship owner of a score or more of small vessels to carry coal has met with the thanks of the department and a request that he hold his vessels so as to have them ready on 24 hours notice has been made.

Naval officers are also looking about New York for vessels to be used in the torpedo service. It has been reported by them that the most available craft for this service are the fast private yachts of the metropolis. It is urged that these yachts can be very quickly converted into cruisers. The firms have torpedo boats and cruisers and the belief is expressed that they will prove as effective as the torpedo craft of the Chilian navy.

According to naval authorities our weakest point now is a lack of torpedoes. Orders hurrying up the two firms who have contracts to furnish torpedoes have replied that they are bending every energy to furnish the torpedoes as rapidly as the contracts call for them.

Activity is also displayed in the war department.

Informal consultations have taken place between army and navy officials as to the co-operation of the two forces in the event of trouble. It has been represented that the army will be able to furnish on short notice 15,000 men for transportation either from San Francisco or Galveston. The naval officials say that fully that number of men will be required.

In spite of the extreme measures taken by the army and navy departments the belief that there will be war with Chili grows less and less here. The general belief is that Chili will yield to the demands eventually.

Parties desiring to buy the best imported and domestic liquors and wines for the holidays, will save at least a half dollar a gallon by calling at J. STEINEM & BROS., 424 Summit Street.

KETCHEM DISCHARGED.

Wauseon, Dec. 19.—(Special)—Tobias Ketchem, arrested on the charge of attempting to outrage his 14-year-old daughter, had his hearing before Squire Knapp yesterday afternoon, and was discharged. This may prove a lesson to Ketchem, and it may perhaps tend to divorce him from his old love, "fire water."

WAS OF UNSOUND MIND.

Verdict on the Death of Robt. Lincoln's Butler.

He Was Suspected of the Theft of Mrs. Martin's Diamonds and Ended His Days.

London, Dec. 19.—The inquest on the body of John Thompson, the English butler, recently in the employ of the United States minister, the Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, who committed suicide on Tuesday last, commenced this morning and was concluded at half-past five this afternoon. The jury rendered a verdict of suicide while in a state of unsound mind.

Thompson, as already cabled exclusively to the United Press, took his life as a result of a mysterious robbery of jewels from the United States legation, on June 18 last, when Mrs. Bradley Martin of New York and others were the guests of the United States minister. It has been shown, since Thompson's suicide, that the jewels referred to consisted of the lower part of a diamond pendant which Mrs. Bradley Martin purchased some years ago at the auction of the French crown jewels. There were eleven diamonds of nine caret weight in the pendant. Mrs. Martin, who wore these jewels at the dinner referred to, missed the lower portion of it as soon as she returned from the legation to the hotel where she was stopping.

Mrs. Martin, when questioned in regard to her loss, said that the pendant was so placed on her corsage that it might easily have been snapped off by coming in contact with the table, and she was of the opinion that the United States legation was the only place in which the precious stones could have been lost. The servants of the legation, particularly Thompson, were naturally questioned in regard to the loss, but apparently not one of them knew anything about the lost jewels.

The detective police of the Vine street station were then called into the case and a reward of $2,500 was offered for the recovery of the lost property, but the jewels were not found, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin returned to the United States.

Thompson was undoubtedly suspected of having stolen the diamonds, and it was even hinted that he had been the willing or unwilling tool of a gang of expert thieves who had managed to get the diamonds, particularly a large nine caret stone, out of England, possibly to Holland, where it had been cut up into smaller gems.

Thompson, up to the time when suspicion rested upon him after Mrs. Martin lost her jewels, had borne a good character. He had been in the employ of Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild as assistant butler and had also held that position in the service of the late Baron Ansel, brother-in-law of Baron Rothschild. It is the general belief that grief over the suspicion which rested on him, and prevented him from getting another position, caused him to commit suicide.

Solid Gold Spectacles at $2.50 at L. Beckman's, 319 Adams St.

LINEN BUYERS, ATTENTION!

Remember Lamson Bros. make a specialty of Table Linens in pattern cloths, border all around, at exactly the same price as if cut from the piece, and always have napkins in both sizes to match. See what they offer before you purchase.

Presents for Xmas gifts at LAMSON'S.

MUFFS | In all the different kinds of Fur. Prices lower than ever before. Great variety of MUFFS | children's sets for Xmas. LASALLE & KOCH.

Divorce is ever a very edifying subject to study, although the customs of different countries vary considerably. The Island of Madagascar is probably unique in the possession of a custom by which a dissatisfied husband merely has to give his wife a piece of money and, say "Madam, I thank you," in order to be divorced.

FOR FANCY WORK

Buy Colored Satines in our lining department. LAMSON BROS.

THE BEST BLACK SILKS | Only the best Silks. All are guaranteed. We never offer any others. Fancy Silks for Xmas work. LASALLE & KOCH.

COLQUITT WILL RETIRE.

Washington Weather Does Not Agree With Him.

He Favors Crisp As His Successor But the Time Is Not Ripe for the Georgian's Promotion

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 19.—The Journal yesterday announced the probability of Senator Colquitt's retirement from the senate, because he cannot stand the rigor of Washington weather. The senator is disposed, when he retires, to help Speaker Crisp into the senate and in this his friends agree with him, but they feel it would be better for the speaker to serve out his term and then go to the senate. Pressure is being brought on Senator Colquitt, therefore, to remain in the senate until he has done so.

SUIT RELATIVE TO TAXES.

In common pleas court to-day Judge Pugsley overruled a demurrer to the amended petition as filed by the plaintiff in the case of George B. Chase, administrator of the estate of Harriet G. Chase, deceased, against Samuel A. Hunter, treasurer.

The case is an action to enjoin the collection of $589.51 personal taxes assessed against the estate of the deceased.

The plaintiff in his amended petition alleges that the county commissioners and city council had no authority to levy tax for 1890 in the manner and form adopted in this action, and the same was illegal.

The defendant excepted to the rulings of the court and gave notice of appeal to the circuit court.

WASH DRESS GOODS

Department full of choice new goods, At LAMSONS'.

ROBBED IN A SALOON.

While sleeping in Ford's saloon, Oak street, East Toledo, last night, an old man named Nicholas was robbed of $7, the money consisting of a $5 bill and some change. John Cowan had been seen bending about the old man's person and later in the night was arrested for the theft. A charge of petit larceny has been placed against him and he will be tried in police court Monday.

DORFLINGER'S AMERICAN Cut Glass FOR THE TABLE Is Perfection. Look for this trade mark label.

Asthma Permanently Cured.

Cincinnati, O., July 28, 1890.

J. W. Bergen, M. D., Petersburg, Ind.:

Dear Sir—My wife has the utmost faith in your Asthma Cure, having found great relief since using it, and we cheerfully recommend it to anyone suffering from asthma, as we feel satisfied that by following directions given a permanent cure will follow.

Respectfully,
GEO. SPREADBURY,
Supt. National Accident Insurance Association, 227 Main St.

FOR SALE BY THOS. VANSTON.

For Gentlemen Only!

As CHRISTMAS GIFTS for your lady friends secure our Stylish and Beautiful HATS AND BONNETS. The handsomest and most useful presents and highly appreciated by all ladies.

We can suit all figures, complexions and ages, and exchange those not suited. This is a great opportunity, as we sell

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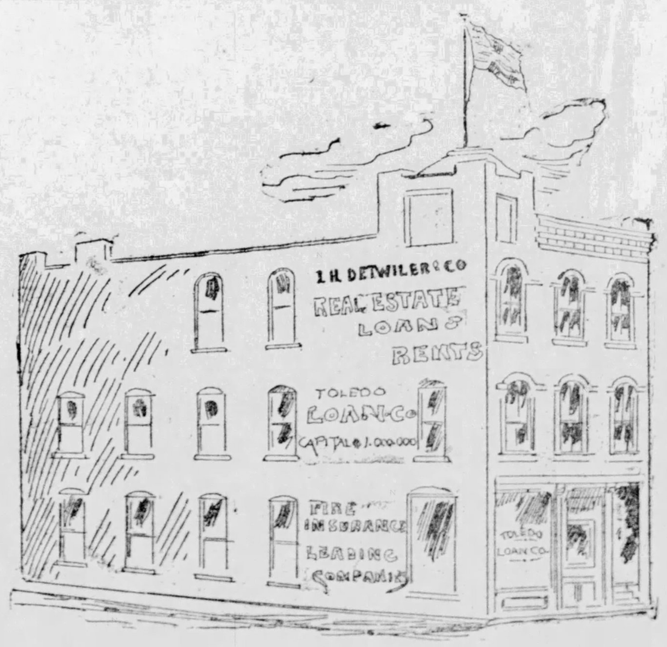

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Ever served up to the Human Race. We shall wait on Table and do the carving up in style. Read our "Bill of Fare" carefully, thoughtfully and well. There is no "French" in it, and all can understand it. We want you to bring it to the store and give us your order.

Every line, every sentence, every word and every syllable of this advertisement conveys to you the hard, substantial, bona fide fact, that spot cash will buy greater bargains at our store for the next three weeks than you or any one else ever dreamed of.

FURNITURE, CARPETS, CROCKERY, SILVERWARE, LADIES' DESKS, FANCY ROCKERS, LIBRARY TABLES

Pictures, Ornaments, as well as all Holiday Novelties in the line of House Furnishings. And listen: All are sold on our Liberal Easy Terms.

DRAPER & NUGENT---HOME OUTFITTERS---MONROE AND CLAIR STS.

"CHRISTMAS BARGAINS!"

Everything must go during the closing week before Christmas.

Plain and Fur trimmed Jackets. Fine Plush Coats, elegant Capes and Muffs.

Fine Black Silks, Black and Colored Dress Goods.

Kid Gloves and Mitts. Fine Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Corsets, etc.

Children's Cloaks, Infants' Robes and all manner of Baby fixings, Dolls, Fancy Articles of every description. Manicure Setts, Work Boxes, Card Cases, Fans, Purses, Perfumery, Toilet Goods, etc., etc.

Muslin Underwear, Aprons, Wool Skirts, Throws, Tidies, Knit Goods, Cardigan Jackets, Shirts, Albums, Broom Holders, Mirrors, etc., etc., etc.

Magnificent Draperies, Handsome Lace Curtains, Moquette Smyrna and Turkish Rugs, Hassocks and Carpet Sweepers, etc.

Silk Umbrellas, Ties and Boas. Night Robes.

Fine Table Linen, Covers, Bed Spreads. Divan Comforts, Elegant Wool Blankets, Chenile Stand Covers, etc.

Beautiful Millinery, Ribbons, Laces, Velvets, etc.

NEUHAUSEL BRO'S

NOT WHAT THEY'RE PAINTED

The Deluded Darkies Return From Liberia.

No Work to be Done and the Pretty Stories About Farming Prospects All a Myth.

New York, Dec. 19.—Among the steerage passengers arriving in this city in the Hamburg-American line steamship Dania were two families of colored people from Liberia.

They consist of Mose and Warne Davis, brothers, and their families, in all eleven persons, six of whom are children.

The latter wore scarcely any clothing, while that on the women was tattered and scant. They tell a pitiable tale of woe. Until May of last year the brothers were well-to-do farmers in Gainesville, Ga.

Hearing of the excellent prospects for their race in Liberia, they sold everything they owned and traveled to Monroeville, in Liberia.

Their rosy expectations were not realized. Their money dwindled and their families almost starved. There was no work to be done, and the much-lauded farming opportunities they found to be a myth.

Things became so bad that Warne wrote to friends, who assisted the brothers to return to this country. The party left to-day for their old home in Gainesville.

A VALUABLE TOLEDO INVENTION.

Among the most important Toledo inventions which have been patented during the year is Noteman's process for converting hydro carbon oil into a combustible gas. Mr. Notenan entered an entirely new field of experimental work, and accomplished results which will soon be demonstrated in our city, with a possibility of supplying an excellent and economical fuel for all.

An application for this patent was filed on November 2 last, and on the 19th of the same month the allowance was placed in the hands of Mr. Wm. Webster, who was the attorney in the case. A deal was closed to-day with Washington parties for the District of Columbia for $25,000.

Pretty good embroidered slippers for 15c.
J. C. PROSSER & CO.

WIND-UP NOT SATISFACTORY.

The final struggle for the medals in the athletic contest at the Y. M. C. A. last evening was witnessed by a large number of people. The events were rather exciting, and from the report made by the judges it is evident the contestants were pretty evenly matched. Grant Rollins secured the first medal, O. W. Jones the second, and A. Donnerbaux the third. Mr. Jones was dissatisfied with the award and will lay his case before the gymnasium committee.

When determining where you will invest or place your surplus funds, or a part or all of your earnings see what the People's Savings, Loan and Building Co. can do for you and what it has done for others.

At the left of the entrance you will find our Umbrella department. Stop there and see the Christmas novelties we are showing. The prices will interest you.
LAMSON BROS.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the kind friend, Mrs. Henry Saco, who sent the beautiful wreath and heart, at the funeral of Mrs. J. J. Lyons, and who omitted her name from the same, I desire to return my sincere thanks.
JAMES J. LYONS.

MR. JONES,
If the draperies and lace curtains we sold you for your wife's Xmas do not please her in color, style or quality, we will willingly exchange them after the holidays.
LAMSON BROS.

CHEAP HOLIDAY RATES.

On account of the Christmas and New Years holidays, excursion tickets will be sold between all points on the C., H. & D. at one and one-third fare for the round trip, on Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 1891, and Jan. 1, 1892. Will also sell to points on the following lines: Baltimore & Ohio (west of Pittsburg); Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern; Chicago & Erie; Chesapeake & Ohio; Cin., New Orl. & Tex. Pac.; Cin., Leb. & Nor.; Cin., Ports. & Va.; Evansville & Terre Haute; Flint & Pere Marquette; Ind., Dec & West.; Kentucky Central; Louisville, New Albany & Chicago; Louisville & Nashville; Lake Erie & Western; N. Y., P. & O. division of Erie railway; Newport News & Miss. Valley (west. div.); Peoria, Dec & Evansville; Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan, and Vandalia line. Tickets will be good returning until January 4, inclusive.

Buy kid gloves At LAMSONS'.

LAWYER M'KNIGHT'S CASE

It Has Attracted Much Legal Attention.

A Toledo Boy Who Would Not be Downed.

Henry County People Have Taken Great Interest in the Case of the Man Who Argued Himself Out of the Penitentiary.

Napoleon, Dec. 19.—(Special)—The decision of the McKnight habeas corpus suit is causing much favorable comment by the legal fraternity here. From the date of his indictment last November the whole proceedings seem to have been characterized by very irregular and illegal moves.

A brief resume of the case is:

He was the attorney for a woman in Wood county, and while in this capacity had cashed a draft in her name to cancel a mortgage given by her. Before he had time to turn the mortgage over he (being in Palmira, N. Y.) was indicted for forgery, larceny and several other charges. He was extradited for forgery, but tried, convicted and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for the crime of larceny. He was conveyed to the penitentiary shortly afterward.

The case was appealed to the circuit court and the decision sustained. Discharging his lawyer he, being a lawyer himself, prepared his brief while in the penitentiary and appealed the case to the supreme court. He also secured a habeas corpus writ, and appearing before the court argued his own case.

The court reversed the decision of the lower courts on the grounds that it was illegal to extradite a man for one offense and try him for another.

No sooner was he discharged than he was again confined in the Wood county jail to await trial for forgery. He demanded a writ of habeas corpus and was taken before Judge Nearing. Here he claimed that since he was indicted for forgery and arrested over a year had elapsed, embracing four terms of court. As the statute of limitation "provides that a prisoner must either be tried or discharged within a space of time embracing two terms of court," he claimed that he was entitled to a discharge. The judge, however, ruled otherwise and he was remanded to jail.

He again secured the writ from Judge Donnelly of this county and a hearing resulted in his discharge. This settles forever the indictment, and he cannot be reached by the prosecutors who are so thirsty after his scalp. He claims that he has redress and will avail himself of it.

His argument here was one of the most lucid that was ever made in the court house.

"My prosecution," he says, "is due to the active part I have always taken in politics. This persecution was even carried to the penitentiary, where I was most shamefully treated by Warden Dyer, who often threatened me with the 'humming bird' when I asked him for paper on which to prepare my brief. In fact, I had actually to use scraps from letters."

Henry Binger, a farmer from Freedom township, dropped dead yesterday while unloading corn at Vocke's mill. The coroner's inquest elicited "death from heart disease."

WILL FIGHT HIS ACCUSERS.

Overman Does Not Propose to Quit Under a Cloud.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Acting Secretary of War Grant received this morning a letter from Major L. C. Overman, who is at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, stating that he would avail himself of the privilege offered him and would visit Cleveland to gather data that would assist him in preparing his answer to the charges that have been filed against him.

Major Overman expressed in the strongest possible language his belief that he would be able to prove himself innocent of wrong doing.

General Grant said he presumed it would be five or six days before Overman's answer would be received. The department desired to give him all reasonable time to answer the charges.

A genuine sensation—Salvation Oil is curing everybody's aches and pains; costs 25c. 200,000 sufferers from colds cured, in New York alone, by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. 25c

XMAS UMBRELLAS | For Gentlemen, Ladies and Children. See us for the real new things. LASALLE & KOCH.

HOLIDAY RATES VIA THE WABASH.

On December 24, 25 and 31 and January 1 the Wabash railroad will sell excursion tickets to all points in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, including St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk. Tickets good returning until January 4.

Avoid the rush at Union depot and purchase your tickets at Boody House Ticket Office, or at Wabash City Ticket Office, 308 Madison street, Toledo, O.

WEST TOLEDO.

To the average reader West Toledo does not cut very much of a figure in population and business activity, but to a Bee who went in there on the Lake Shore railroad and stopped at their neat little station building recently erected, things looked prosperous and good.

In speaking about the new depot, it is safe to say, had it not been for the enterprise of some of the business men in that part of the city it would not have been built, but the freight furnished to the railroads at this point foots up quite a large amount. Prominent among the large shippers at this place is the Toledo Plow company. They have been operating as a stock company about eight years, during which time they have been obliged to increase their capacity several times.

Within the past year they have been compelled to put in a new cupola twice the size of the old one, also an addition to the building.

In addition to their plow business they also do a general foundry business, turning out castings of all kinds for the trade.

It must be very gratifying to this house, as well as the citizens of Toledo, to see their business extend out over the country so rapidly, for their traveling men are being sent out further each year, and in their efforts to market the goods of the Toledo Plow company they find little trouble, for plows, like everything else that goes out of Toledo, are considered the world over to be A No. 1.

The best time to deposit large amounts with the People's Savings, Loan and Building Co., is between now and the last day of January, before the semi-annual February dividend. The People's company has never paid less than eight per cent. per annum compounded semi-annually.

FUR | ALL SHORT FUR CAPES Marked Down.

	Now.	Former Price.
CAPES	$ 9.00	$12.50
	12.00	16.50
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GREAT	10.00	13.50
	15.00	22.50
	14.50	20.00
REDUCTION	35.00	65.00
	67.00	95.00

Many other great fur bargains. A great mark down on Seal Coats.
LASALLE & KOCH.

Smoking Sets, Soap Boxes, Tobacco Boxes, Whist Counters, Pocket Knives, At Kapp's.

ARMOUR & CO.
Will have the finest display of Christmas meats ever seen in Toledo, Dec. 21, from 2 to 10 p. m., at their new wholesale beef house, corner Erie and Washington and cordially invite the trade and the people of Toledo to be present.
E. RELYEA, Manager.

XMAS HANDKERCHIEFS | We offer the real nice styles in a greater variety than ever. Double the counter room devoted to Handkerchiefs.
LASALLE & KOCH.

Opera Glasses! Opera Glasses! Opera Glasses! Opera Glasses!
At Kapp's.

See what we are offering in Curtains and Draperies. They make acceptable presents.
LAMSON BROS.

RELIABLE BLACK GOODS.
What more acceptable present for mother, wife or sister than a good black dress? See the bargains Lamson Bros. are offering.

HAVE YOU INQUIRED | Into the great values offered in Black Goods? Prices 35 per cent. less than ever before, at
LASALLE & KOCH'S.

Everett M. Cook, dentist, successor to Nevius & Cook, Worthington block, corner Superior and Adams streets.

Something sensible for a Christmas present is one of Tate's baby jumpers. See them at 134 Superior street.

DRUMMING FOR TRADE!

MOCKETT'S CHRISTMAS GIFT SALE!

FREE GIFTS! FREE GIFTS! FREE GIFTS!

Every 10th Purchase Free!

The entire magnificent stock contained in our three stores, consisting of a stock of clothing unsurpassed in this state; of Children's Suits and Overcoats without number; of men's Suits and Overcoats in infinite variety; of Hats and Caps in endless profusion; of Furnishing Goods and Men's Notions, Shirts, Night Shirts, Underwear, silk and other kinds, Socks, Ties, Collars and Cuffs, Garters, Gloves, Suspenders and the thousand and one things that go toward making a man's wardrobe complete. Everything included, even House Coats and Smoking Jackets.

Be Sure You Get in the Right Store!

EVERY TENTH PURCHASE FREE.

This offer holds good in each and every department from now until Christmas.

This is a bona fide, straight-forward, honest deal. How do we do it? Listen! it's simple and easy. An accurate account is kept of each sale in the cashier's desk and when the number recorded reaches the magic number "10" the lucky purchaser has his money returned to him with whatever he purchased and the compliments of the Mockett Establishment. Think how many will receive free a Christmas gift. Here's the way it will go; yes, the way it has gone already. A man concludes he will buy a new overcoat. Naturally he goes to Mockett's; buys it. Another man thinks the same way, also goes to Mockett's; buys it. So with the third, the fourth, the fifth, the sixth, the seventh, the eighth, the ninth and the tenth. None of these, of course, knows what order he comes in, and as he gets his money's worth is satisfied anyway. Then the tenth comes in, picks out his overcoat, hands the salesman $20, $25 or $5, $10 or $15 as the case may be, and awaits his package. Presently back comes the package and with it the information that he, being the tenth purchaser, gets his money returned to him AND WITH IT THE OVERCOAT! He walks off with overcoat and money as well. See?

THE TENTH CUSTOMER GETS THE CHRISTMAS GIFT!

There is no deception whatever, it is exactly as represented. It is simply a one-tenth sale, and every purchaser buying from us from now till Christmas is likely to be the recipient of the gift. You can't tell who will get it. A long procession of pleased and gratified customers leave our stores from hour to hour, and among them may be observed some doubly gratified, both at the value received and the good luck in getting something for nothing. Will you join the procession? It costs you nothing.

MOCKETT'S CHRISTMAS GIFT SALE GUARANTEE!

The goods we offer are the best that's made; made on honor, bought on honor and sold on honor. Everything guaranteed as represented or money refunded. Our aim is to always give to every patron thorough satisfaction and full worth of his money. Thus we have done business, thus we propose to continue doing business; so, whether you are the lucky tenth purchaser or not, you lose nothing, and if you are one of the fortunate ones you simply get your selection, small or great, much or little, more or less, for nothing. In brief, this is what we offer you: The best ready-made clothing, the largest stock to choose from, the prices guaranteed the lowest, and the opportunity of getting whatever you may select for nothing. You know we always do as we advertise, and a word to the wise is sufficient.

MOCKETT THE CLOTHIER

213, 215 and 217 Summit Street.

BE SURE YOU GET IN THE RIGHT STORE.

ONE TOUCH OF NATURE

MAKES ALL THE WORLD "AKIN." AT THIS GLAD TIME OF THE YEAR WE SHOULD BE LIKE ONE GREAT FAMILY WITH A THOUGHT AND CARE FOR THE HAPPINESS OF EVERY HUMAN BEING. IN OUR PREPARATIONS FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE WE HAVE WELL EARNED THE TITLE OF

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AND HARD INDEED TO PLEASE WOULD THE PERSON BE WHO CANNOT SUPPLY THEIR WANTS AT

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OUR PRICES MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE POOREST TO BUY, AS OUR SMALL PROFIT SYSTEM IS AN ABSOLUTE RULE. NO FANCY PRICES ON ANY ARTICLE IN OUR GREAT STORE.

NEW GOODS ARRIVING EVERY HOUR OF THE DAY!

FINE DOWN COMFORTS, PILLOWS AND CUSHIONS. | SOFT FLEECY WARM WOOL BLANKETS. | NEW ALL-WOOL BLACK UNION SUITS.

Fine French Bedford Cords in Navy, Myrtle and Mode!

5,000 DRESS PATTERNS FROM 64C TO $15 EACH. | DRESS SILKS, ESPECIALLY FOR PRESENTS | FINE SEAL SKIN CLOAKS AND JACKETS.

Our Grand Basement Bazaar Attractions

INCREASE EVERY DAY. NEW GOODS CONSTANTLY ARRIVING. LET ALL THE LITTLE FOLKS COME AND SEE THE MOUNTAIN OF TOYS. THE OLD WOMAN THAT LIVES IN HER SHOE, AND HAS SO MANY CHILDREN SHE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. PROMPT ATTENTION. QUICK WORK. NO VEXATIOUS DELAYS. OPEN EVERY NIGHT TILL XMAS.

THE LION DRY GOODS CO.

GEORGE M. FISHER, President.

MIAMI DIVISION'S PARTY.

One of the Best Social Events of the Season.

The Pythian castle was well filled with the members of Miami division and their friends last evening on the occasion of the annual party given by the division. The hall was handsomely decorated, and the bright uniforms of the gentlemen and elegant toilets of the ladies added greatly to the beauty of the scene.

About 9 o'clock the division, under command of Lieutenant Wiggins, filed into the large hall, and at once began the execution of 67 movements in a silent drill. The exhibition was the best ever seen in the city in its line, and the compliments bestowed were richly deserved. The drill squad was composed of the following:

First Lieutenant—J. D. Wiggins.
Second Lieutenant—J. T. Gamble.
Guard—R. Heyer.
Sentinel—D. B. Gilmore.
Col. J. Austin, jr., J. H. Barnes, Thomas McBeth, F. B. Lazenby, George Miller, jr., W. H. Taylor, Elmer C. Greene, E. E. Conrad, C. B. Bargman, S. G. Wendel, J. P. Bowman, J. W. Vetter, J. H. Hunter, H. H. Wilson, F. L. Weaver, E. S. Gray.

Following the drill the grand march began, led by Lieut. Gamble and Miss Nellie Seymour. Dancing was kept up until an early hour this morning.

The committees are deserving of credit for the pleasant entertainment. They were as follows:

Arrangements—W. H. Taylor, Col. J. Austin, jr., F. B. Lazenby, E. S. Gray, George Miller, jr.

Floor—Capt. C. B. Murphy, Lieut. J. D. Wiggins, R. Heyer, Lieut. J. T. Gamble, O. Hall, jr., C. B. Bargman, J. W. Vetter.

An elegant luncheon was served in the banquet room at intermission.

NON-PARTISAN W. C. T. U.

The Non-Partisan Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon with Mrs. Farrar, Madison street.

Felt and Merino slippers for children.
J. C. PROSSER & CO.

BOILER EXPLOSION

Causing Two Deaths and Injuring Two More, at Holland.

Coroner Roulet's trip to Holland yesterday was caused by a boiler explosion in the feed mill of Elliot Perkins, about 6:30 o'clock Thursday evening. The explosion resulted in the instant death of the engineer, Adams, and young Floyd Perkins, son of the proprietor. Mr. Elliot Perkins and another son were also badly injured, but not dangerously. The mill was damaged to the extent of about $1,200. The coroner has not yet decided as to the exact cause of the explosion.

MAUMEE TENT, K. O. T. M.

At the regular meeting for such purpose the following officers were elected for the year 1892:

Past Commander—Geo. H. Scott.
Commander—John Stollberg.
Lieutenant Commander—E. B. Langel.
Record Keeper—Frank H. White.
Finance Keeper—I. N. Fisher.
Prelate—C. Christman.
Physician—H. S. Havighorst.
Sergeant—F. C. Rausch.
Master-at-Arms—C. S. Waters.
First Master of Guard—C. H. Rossman.
Second Master of Guard—J. C. Rodemich.
Sentinel—Geo. Marquhardt.
Picket—G. O. Brown.
Trustees—C. A. Vordtriede, J. W. Seely, W. C. Ely.

The newly elected officers will be installed on January 7 in Meyer's hall, Adams street, when a good time may be expected.

DIED IN A HOVEL.

Charles Wilson, the man mentioned in yesterday's Bee as lying ill in an old shanty on the east bank of the river, died last night. He was 37 years old, and the remains were taken to Park's undertaking establishment. The old woman who was living in the same hovel will be taken care of by the infirmary authorities.

Slippers and slippers.
J. C. PROSSER & CO.

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF

In the Syndicate Oil Case—Net Damage $38,000—Criminal Cases.

This forenoon the U. S. jury in the syndicate oil case brought in a verdict of $50,080 less the amount of the counter claim, for plaintiff—the Petroleum Fuel Co., of Detroit. The counter claim was a little over $12,000, thus making the net damage $38,000.

There was also a special verdict in favor of plaintiff on the matter of altering the original contract. The attorneys for plaintiff were Tolerton, Toledo, and Griffin, Detroit. For defendant Doyle, Toledo, Elliot, Pittsburg, and Bope, Findlay.

In the obscene letter case Mr. Holmes, of Columbus Grove, was acquitted yesterday, and this morning the Burt case was taken up. The court will probably adjourn this afternoon.

LAYLIN IN TOWN.

He Has His Grip on the Speakership—Lucas Gives Him a Vote.

Representative Laylin of Huron county is in the city and talks as if he had a sure thing of the speakership.

A prominent republican told a Bee this morning that Mr. Flickinger was solid for Laylin against all comers.

Mr. Laylin has not the least doubt but that Sherman will succeed himself. The contest has simmered down to a skirmish as to Foraker is practically out of the race. Holcomb of Scioto, Fisher of Preble, and several others claimed as Foraker adherents are Sherman first and last. Lewellen of Jackson and Adams of Muskingum recently trotted out as Foraker converts have been recognized Foraker men from the first.

AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Rev. S. G. Anderson, pastor Westminster Presbyterian church, will address the young men's gospel song service in Association hall, corner Summit and Orange streets, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Subject, "Five Bible Wonders." Music by Westminster church choir. All young men cordially invited to attend.